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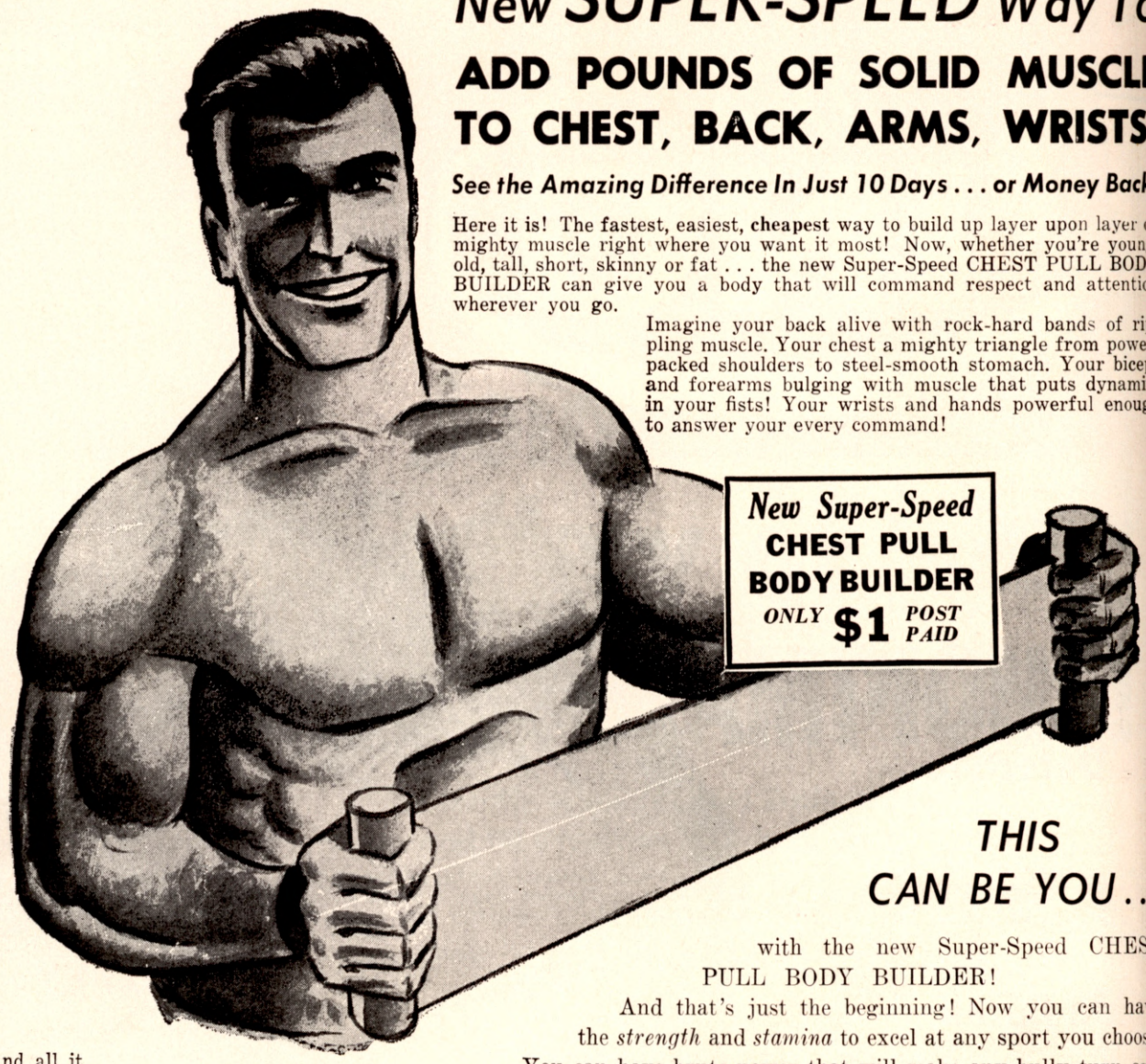

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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

The Ring will cover the big light heavyweight championship fight between Archie Moore and Giulio Rinaldi with direct from ringside reports as well as exclusive photos and a complete wrapup story on the light heavies. Should Moore not make the weight then Harold Johnson is scheduled to take his place, although Rinaldi has indicated that he will not accept Johnson as a substitute for Moore. Should Moore not make the weight The Ring will keep you posted on what could develop into a big light heavyweight muddle.

Emile Griffith takes on spoiler Gaspar Ortega in Los Angeles, California, in fifteen round bout that will be the first defense of his newly won welterweight title. As usual The Ring will be there to bring its readers all angles of this world championship contest.

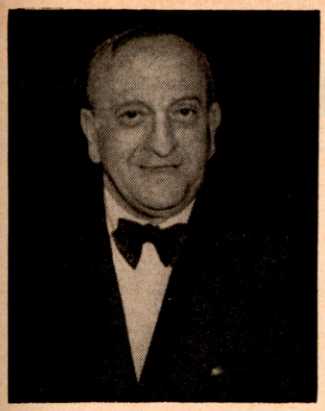
Alphonse Halimi of France, and Johnny Caldwell of Ireland, will fight it out with Halimi's European version of the bantamweight crown on the line in their London, England meeting.

Nat Fleischer will continue with the second in his series of facts and comments on the investigations into boxing that has boxing at threshold of becoming federally controlled. Don't miss this world expert's opinions and inside revelations.

Every fighter has had a fight that has been the key to his success. To some it has been on the way up, to others on the comeback trail, and to still others it has been while at the top of the heap. Read this scintillating story, "Key Fights" by one of boxing's best scribes, Al Buck.

The August Issue will be replete with coverage of fight results and photos from around the globe as well as articles from pen's of boxing's top experts.

In addition The Ring will bring to its readers the usual complete wrestling section with results, gossip and feature articles. And . . . don't forget those photos galore that span world of wrestling.



NAT FLEISCHER

Says

WHEN Carmen Basilio, the craggy-jawed former welterweight and middleweight champion announced his retirement, boxing lost one of its most colorful and honest fighters. His losing effort in his final contest was an admirable farewell to the profession in which he made a great contribution. Carmen's thrilling battle with Paul Pender, in which, though outclassed, he fought savagely to the bitter end, wound up a career of thirteen years, during which he gave the fans a run for their money, never stood up a promoter and earned the whole-hearted respect of thousands who watched him from ringside and gallery seats and millions who saw his fights on home television.

His bout with Pender in Boston, in which he made his unsuccessful attempt to gain that portion of the world middleweight crown belonging to the Bay Stater, was the first in which he was put on the canvas in a major contest. The only other time he was dropped was when he fought Jerry Drain in a six-round contest in Syracuse on May 8, 1949 and got up to knock out his opponent in the third round.

Against his classy opponent, an excellent boxer who had an advantage of four inches in height and was four years younger, Carmen, despite an injured shoulder, went the route. He had nothing left as the final two rounds were reached, yet he fought back bravely. In his defeat, he proved to the skeptics that Pender is a much underrated boxer. With his defeat, Basilio announced his exit from the professional ring.

Basilio, born in Canastota, N. Y., won the welterweight title by knocking out Tony De Marco on June 10, 1955, in Syracuse. He stopped De Marco again in his first title defense on November 30 of the same year in Boston but lost the crown to Johnny Saxton in Chicago, March 14, 1956 on a controversial decision. On September 12 of that year he regained the throne in Syracuse, stopping Saxton in the ninth round and in their third engagement, he again knocked out Saxton on February 22, 1957, in Cleveland, this time in the second round.

Thereafter Carmen decided to go after the middleweight crown. On September 23, 1957, he won the championship on points in a thrilling encounter with Ray Robinson in New York City but Ray regained the crown in a return match in Chicago, via the decision route in 15 rounds, on March 25, 1958.

Then came the action of the National Boxing Association, stripping Robinson of his title. The N.B.A. named Gene Fullmer and Basilio to fight for the vacated throne and on August 28, 1959, they fought a vicious contest in San Francisco with Fullmer winning by a knockout in the fourteenth round, the bout being stopped with Basilio still on his feet.

On June 29, 1960, Fullmer again halted Carmen. They fought in Salt Lake City and Gene stopped his opponent in the twelfth round. Those matches were so bitterly fought, it was expected that Basilio would call it quits and hang up his gloves, but he decided he still was capable of continuing against top men. He decided to go after Paul Pender's share of the world crown and as a tune up, he faced Gaspar Ortega in New York on January 10 and former welterweight king Don Jordan in Syracuse on March 11 of this year, winning the decision against each in ten rounders. Those victories earned for him the shot at Pender which ended in his retirement.

His record shows a total of 79 fights of which he won 56, lost 16 and drew in 7.

SEEK TAX AID FOR BOXERS

Now that the Senate investigation of boxing has been completed and the evils in the sport have been aired, the Senators should do some thinking about the all-important tax problems of fighters that wasn't touched upon by the Kefauver Committee. The problem not only concerns boxers, but all classes of professional athletes.

That professional athletes should be entitled to some sort of relief because of the shortness of their career, is recognized by many of our national legislators. In fact, two years ago a bill was introduced in Congress to have the earnings of athletes spread over a number of years to prevent such an unhealthy condition as confronted Joe Louis, but it was tabled.

Representative Thomas H. Pelly of Washington introduced a bill to provide a withholding tax from the earnings of pro athletes, but such aid would be insufficient. To increase the number of major boxing matches, bring more vitality into boxing, we must make it possible for the boxer, especially the champions who are hardest hit, to retain more of their earnings than now is possible with

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Raymond J. Lee of Niagara County, who has been appointed to take the place of Julius Helfand as a member of the New York State Athletic Commission.

FLEISCHER FOR FEDERAL CONTROL OF BOXING

Backing Kefauver Bill in letter to the Senator

Hymie "The Mink" Wallman, who testified of Carbo's anger and the close association of Jim Norris with Frankie; Blinky Palermo, named by the Senate Committee as the undercover manager of several boxers and Carbo's right hand man; Truman Gibson, then in charge of the I.B.C., testified his organization had to deal with Carbo and other undesirables.

By NAT FLEISCHER

Editor's Note:—On May 2, the series of hearings on the Kefauver Bill, which proposes to place boxing under Federal control, with a Federal commissioner working under the office of the Attorney General, got under way. This bill resulted from the hearings before the Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly of the Committee on Judiciary of the Senate on the state of boxing. Senator Kefauver asked Nat Fleischer, publisher of The Ring Magazine, to testify in the hearings on the bill, and to state his attitude toward the bill in a letter to his subcommittee. This letter herewith is published.

SENATOR ESTES KEFAUVER, Chairman,
Senate Investigating Committee on Boxing,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Senator:

I am grateful to you and your committee for the opportunity to comment on proposed legislation for a National Commissioner of Boxing. After reading the

Frankie Carbo pleading the fifth amendment—*"I refuse to answer"*. He is called the "King of the Underworld" in boxing. *"I can't eat no dust or coconuts"*, he complained to his henchman when pay-offs were slow coming in.

The Ring's publisher advances 15 essential points.

transcript of the hearings before the Subcommittee on Anti-Trust and Monopoly on professional boxing, I have come to the conclusion that the passage of your bill is necessary if boxing is to be cleansed of the unhealthy conditions exposed in the hearings.

As one who has been associated with sports as a writer and editor for 55 years, I cannot but feel, after digesting the data, that I have been disillusioned in my belief that there are sufficient teeth in the boxing laws of the various states to keep the sport clean of hoodlums, racketeers, cheap crooks, fixers and chiselers who according to the sworn testimony given before your committee, have taken over control of boxing in our country.

The material unearthed through the efforts of your excellent investigators, the revelations of crookedness and hoodlum infiltration into boxing, have brought a change in my attitude toward government control of the sport. We need it, badly.

Contrary to my previous stand against national regulation of boxing as called for in your bill, I have come to the conclusion that a whip hand is now needed to expel the unsavory characters who have made a mockery of one of the oldest sports in history.

Your investigators, who have delved deeply into the criminal aspects of professional boxing have brought to light conditions of which not even we who are closely associated with boxing, suspected. Your investigation has enabled us to see the inside working of people in whom we had faith, and for this, boxing well-wishers should give a vote of thanks to your committee and your investigators for a job well done.

COMMISSIONS HAVE FAILED TO DO THEIR DUTY

The investigation has exposed not only ruthless promoters, matchmakers and boxers who have brought the sport to its lowest level in history, but boxing commissions in whose care State Legislators have placed the supervision of boxing.

It has been proved through the excellent work of Paul Rand Dixon, John G. Bonomi, and James McShane that these boxing commissions have failed in their trust.

Through incompetence, lack of initiative, political pressure and a desire to obtain lucrative matches for their states, these commissions have made it possible for the unscrupulous element to obtain control. All of the above have added to the causes which have necessitated the government's intervention.

The cancer is laid bare. Hoodlumism, undercover managers and the influx of unsavory characters into boxing. The means to eliminate these characters have been granted by law to the various commissions, most of whom, as the testimony before your committee has brought forth, have been found wanting to a shocking extent.

They have shut their eyes to the existing evils, or through pressure have failed to keep the sport clean. Other than California and New York, and occasionally a little help from other states, little has been done over the years to eradicate the evils.

I therefore heartily favor the passage of your committee's bill which calls for a National Commissioner and deputies to control inter-state boxing.

No boxing commission or the National Boxing Association, the rulings of which have been tossed aside by members when such action would enable them to obtain lucrative matches, has proved itself capable of bringing back the faith of the public in the sport. I believe the passage of your bill would accomplish this.

However, the bill does not cover sufficient ground. Here are additional recommendations I would like to see incorporated:

1—Prevent matchmakers and promoters from having financial interest in a boxer by imposing a prison sentence or heavy fine on any matchmaker or promoter found to own part of a boxer.

2—Force a manager to take an oath that no part of the money received by him as his share of the purse of a fighter, is shared with any person not listed on the records as having a financial interest in the fighter.

3—If a license is revoked in any state or any country, such revocation must be respected by all states in our country.

4—Have uniformity of rules for all states.

5—Have a uniform point scoring system for determining the result of a bout.

6—Organize a world championship committee such as worked so well prior to its dissolution three years ago. This committee should be made up as follows:

The National Commissioner of Boxing, representative of the United States; the President of the British Board of Boxing Control representing the British Empire; the Secre-

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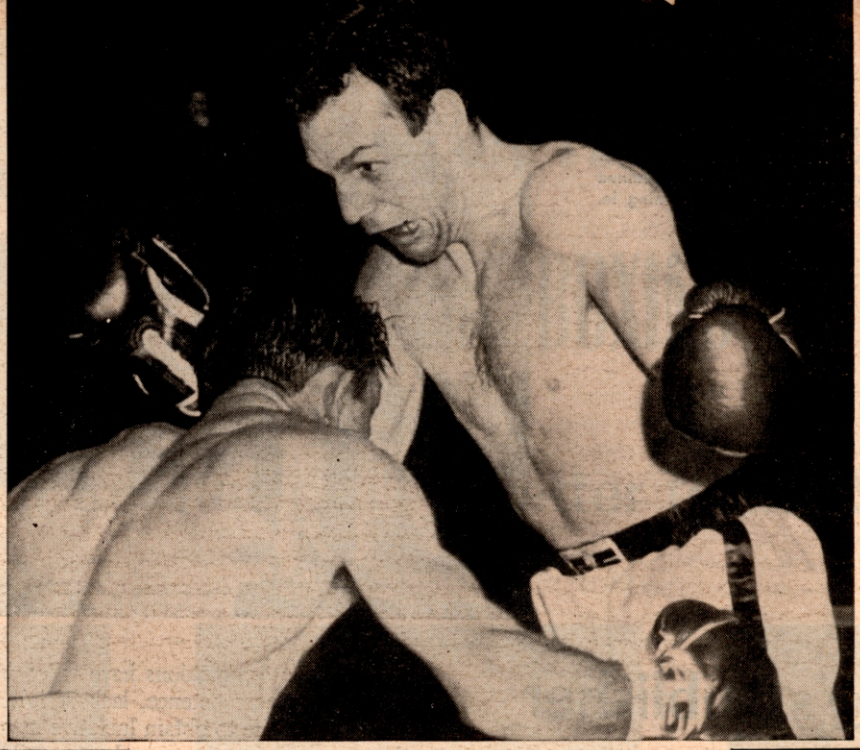


Champion Paul Pender grimaces after absorbing a hard right to the body landed by challenger Carmen Basilio during the second round of the fight. It was in this stanza that Basilio had Paul in trouble.

(lower left) The champion's face is blood smeared as he returns to his corner following the fourth round. (lower right) Basilio's face is puffed and bruised after the bout attesting to the sting in Pender's punches.

Pender Wins And Basilio May Retire

By DON HAMILL

BOSTON (Special to The Ring)—Paul Pender, the rangy ex-fireman of Brookline, Mass., still is the world middleweight champion of New York, Massachusetts, Europe and affiliated areas not controlled by the National Boxing Association, which recognizes Gene Fullmer of West Jordan, Utah.

Although he had difficulty making the middleweight limit of 160 pounds—he had to scale in four times before he did it—Pender was a decisive winner over the veteran ex-champion Carmen Basilio, 159, in fifteen rounds, in the Boston Garden. After the bout Basilio announced his retirement.

Between them, Pender and Fullmer have completely eliminated two former title-holders—Basilio and Ray Robinson. In two-bout series with the pair, Fullmer won twice from Basilio and drew and won against Robinson. Pender, who has twice beaten Robinson, needed only one bout to demonstrate his superiority over Basilio.

Any possibility of matching Pender and Fullmer for an outdoor extravaganza this year just about evaporated when Paul announced he is hopping over to England shortly to give Terry Downes another crack at him. This likely will end Pender 1961 activity, since taxes would just about gobble up any further earnings.

Fullmer, meanwhile, has no immediate plans, but is talking of risking his share of the disputed championship once more this year, probably in late summer with Salt Lake City as the battle site. Just who will draw the assignment of challenger remains to be seen, but the choice apparently rests between the British Empire champion, Dick Tiger, and the Cuban left-hooker, Florentino Fernandez. At this writing, Tiger appears to be the leading candidate. His recent knockouts of Gene (Ace) Armstrong and Ellsworth (Spider) Webb in New York, plus an earlier knockout of Terry Downes in London, have established the burly Nigerian as the logical selection for cracks at Pender and Fullmer and their respective shares of the disputed world title.

PENDER WON AS EXPECTED.

The outcome of the Pender-Basilio bout was generally expected. The fight went pretty much according to schedule. It was Pender's smooth, methodical operations against the courage and determination of the ringworn, battle-

scarred ex-champion out to regain the throne.

Pender's longer reach was an important factor. Chunky Basilio had little defense against Paul's lebt jabs and hooks which banged into his corrugated features with an almost monotonous regularity. But Carmen never stopped trying. Weaving and bobbing, he forced the action most of the way, scored well with rugged body punches, and on several occasions jolted Pender with left hooks and overhand rights to the head.

In the fourth round a looping Basilio right opened a slight cut on the outside of Pender's left eye. Paul squared accounts in the next session when a left hook started the blood trickling from Basilio's nose.

By the end of the tenth round it was obvious that Basilio's only chance to win was by a knockout. The gritty up-state New Yorker was displaying obvious signs of tiring, while Pender, boxing cooly, was picking his spots and making every punch count.

Toward the end of the thirteenth, Pender jolted Basilio with a series of lefts, then dropped in a short right that caught Carmen flush on the chin. Down went the ex-champion. Groggily, he stumbled up at three but went down again to one knee to take the count of eight. As he arose, the bell rang.

Basilio absorbed heavy punishment in the fourteenth, but succeeded in avoiding serious troubles. Weary though he was, Carmen staged a desperate rally at the start of the fifteenth, and jolted Pender with a right to the chin. Paul, however, came back with a series of lefts and rights that swept Basilio to the canvas again. Pender was moving in so rapidly he couldn't check himself when Basilio went down. He tripped over his fallen opponent and into the ropes. Paul freed himself from the tangle of arms and legs as Referee Ed Bradley tolled seven over Basilio.

Unsteady though his legs were—they buckled under him and he slipped to the canvas after missing a wild right—Basilio was still swinging gamely when the fight ended.

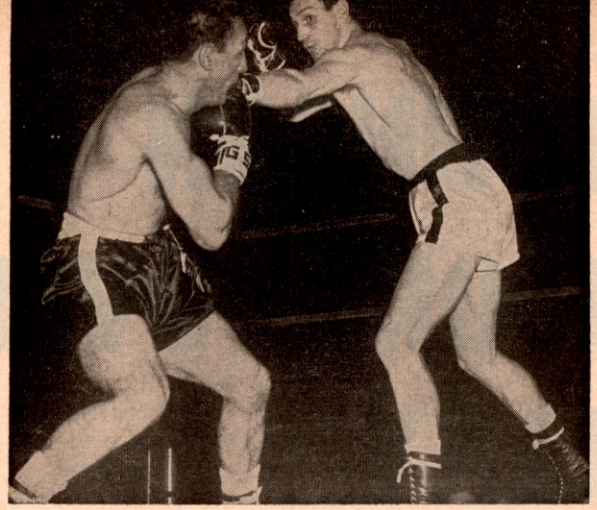
GOOD PAYDAY FOR BOTH

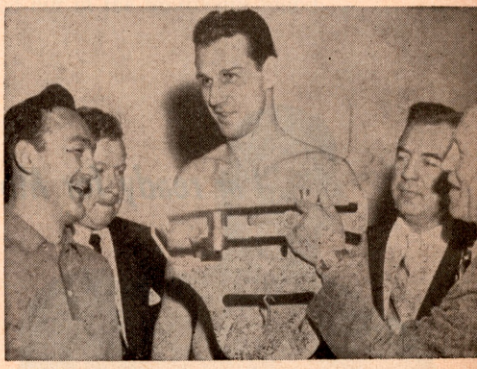
Announcing the decision was a mere formality. Pender won decisively. On the 10-point "must" system in effect in Massachusetts, Paul was favored 148-135 by Referee Bradley, 147-138 by Judge Harry Sundberg and 147-132 by Judge Joe Blumsack. In rounds, The Ring correspondent had it Pender by 10-3-2.

Incidentally, the two knockdowns scored by Pender marked the only times Basilio had been knocked off his feet since he became a headliner. In an early preliminary bout in 1949, he had been floored by a Jerry Drain, but got up to knock Drain out. Fullmer was credited with twice stopping Basilio, in 14 rounds in San Francisco and 12 rounds in Salt Lake City, but in the first bout Carmen "retired" in his corner and in the other the referee stopped it. Basilio wasn't knocked off his feet in either bout.

Promoter Sam Silverman's face was wreathed in smiles as he announced statistics here. A turnout of 12,168 in the Boston Garden accounted for gross receipts of $88,917 and a net of $78,098. Television contributed $75,000 to the pot. Pender's earnings were increased by a payoff of $72,331.50 and Basilio's by $35,618.

Reports around Boston say that for the Downes match in London, Pender will be guaranteed $30,000 pounds (86,-240), plus transportation and expenses for his entourage. It'll be Paul's biggest purse. It also is reported that Silverman will be "in" on the show somehow, possibly as a sort of co-promoter with London impressario Harry Levene. If Levene's confidence in the attractiveness of the bout is not misplaced, Pender and Downes may come close to matching Britain's all-time high in receipts for a middleweight bout, set by Turping and Robinson with $224,000 in 1951. Levine is confident the bout will set a new record for middleweights in England. The Pender-Downes bout has attracted considerable attention in England.

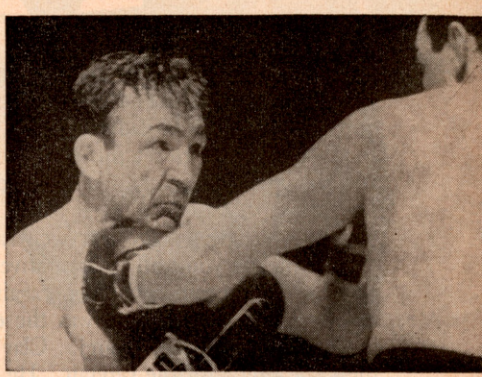


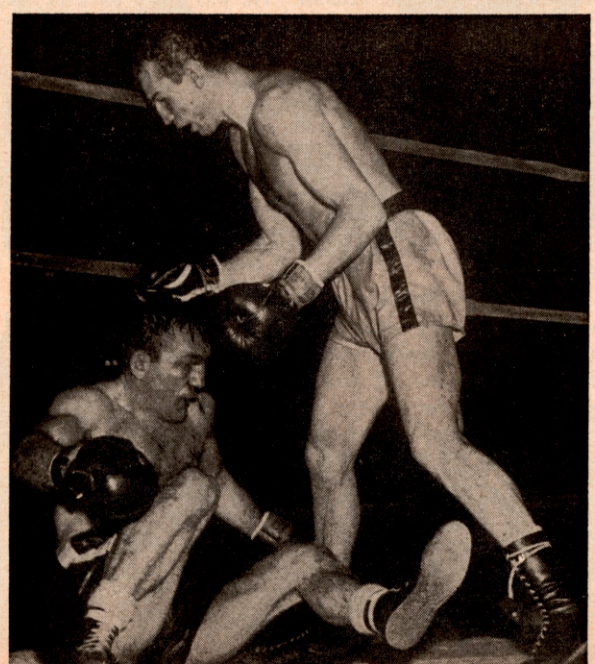


Paul pokes a long left into Basilio's face during the sparring action in the first round. It was Pender's jab that played the stellar role in his victory. He used it to hold Basilio off and cut him down to size.

Pender smiles as he makes the weight on his third try at the scales. Basilio, who had weighed in an hour and a half before, waited around to be sure that Pender was able to make the 160 limit.

(right) Carmen's advances are halted by Paul's jarring left. (below) A tired and thoroughly beaten Basilio sags to the canvas in the thirteenth round following the most torrid exchange of the fight. Carmen went down again in the fifteenth. This was the first fight since his preliminary days that Carmen had been floored.





JOHNSON WORKS OVER CLAY

A victorious Johnson is held high by his handlers after the fight. The impressive manner in which Harold disposed of Clay won him the cheers of the crowd.

"I'm ready for Moore, Liston or Patterson" said Harold Johnson following his quick knockout of Von Clay.

By LEW ESKIN

PHILADELPHIA (Special to the Ring) — Harold Johnson may not be the best fighter in the world, but if anybody doesn't think so, he can get an argument from at least 6,738 Philadelphia fans who packed the Arena almost to capacity to see the 32-year-old Johnson, veteran of 16 years of ring campaigning, utterly demolish his local rival, 21-year-old Von Clay, in their battle for Johnson's National Boxing Association light-heavyweight championship.

Sending the youthful, comparatively inexperienced Clay, into his 19th professional bout against the stylish, sharp-shooting, ringwise Johnson was the equivalent of dispatching a boy on a man's errand. Clay just didn't belong in the same ring with the veteran. He was down once in the first round and three times in the second before Referee Dave Beloff called a halt under the mandatory three-knockdowns-in-one-round rule. Including the counts, Johnson needed only 5 minutes, 28 seconds to wreck his youthful challenger.

To protect its interests, Madison Square Garden promptly arranged to have Johnson stand by for Archie Moore in the event Ageless Archie was unable to make the weight for his world title bout with Giulio Rinaldi, scheduled for June 10.

"I hope I get the shot at the championship," said Johnson in his dressing room after disposing of Clay. *"I feel confident I can become the undisputed world champion. I'll take a few days off now, then go into serious training again, and will be present at the weigh-in in New York. If Archie is forced to default his share of the title, I'll be ready for Rinaldi."*

It was learned the Garden guaranteed Johnson $5,000 to serve in his stand-by capacity, with the added assurance that Harold would receive a championship match with the Moore-Rinaldi winner if Archie fooled everybody again by making the weight and going through with his match with the Italian. In that case, the Moore-Rinaldi winner probably would be matched with Johnson later in the year.

Asked if he had given any thought to joining the heavyweight ranks and seeking a match with Sonny Liston, Johnson replied:

"Why not? That's where the big money is, and now I'm becoming cash-conscious. I'm sure I can beat Liston," he said, as he pointed to Sonny, who was standing near the door of Johnson's dressing room.

Overhearing Harold's remarks, Liston grinned. *"Im not ready to pick on little men,"* he said. *"I want the big ones —like Floyd Patterson."*

After Johnson's excellent performance against Von Clay, there is little doubt but that an outdoor match between Harold and Liston would draw the biggest gate in Philadelphia since the Marciano-Walcott fight in 1952.

The first heat wave Philadelphia has had this year, brought joy to the sweltering crowd when Johnson ended the bout in a jiffy. The first minute and a half found each jabbing away, feeling each other out.

Clay was standing straight, trading with his opponent in the center of the ring when suddenly Harold, hooking off the jab, sent Clay stumbling backward with a stiff jolt. But he wasn't hurt and quickly resumed parrying until moments before the bell sounded when a right cross landed behind his ear. He went down, bounced up at one, and as his legs caved in under him, he pitched face forward landing with his chin on the lower rope.

Referee Dave Beloff, hearing the bell, went to Clay's rescue as did his seconds who had a tough time getting the fighter to his corner. In his dazed condition, he wanted to go after Johnson.

Early in the second round, a stiff jab by Von Clay brought some claret from Johnson's nose. The jabbing was resumed but now Johnson moved in like a cat, his right

glove held open, palm out as he danced and feinted, then struck full force. A left, right to opposite sides of Clay's jaw sent the challenger spinning onto the canvas. Eyes glassy, he lay on his stomach as Referee Beloff tolled off the count. Clay pulled himself erect, just beating the ten count.

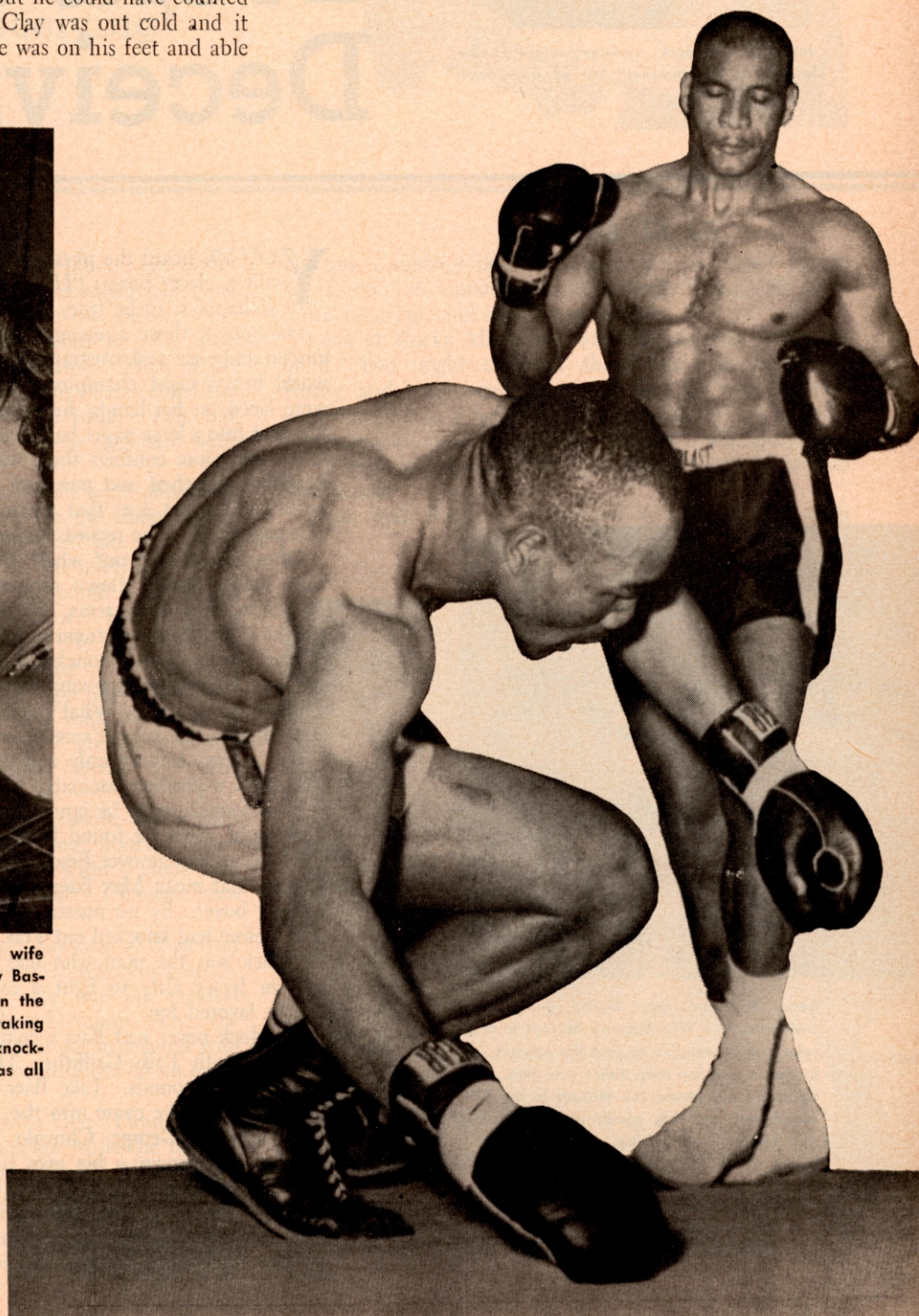
Johnson moved in. He knew he had his man and now was out for the "kill". Clay retreated and backed up against the ropes where Harold unleashed a barrage. Von tried to cover up, but the blows broke too rapidly through his defence and he crumpled to the deck in his own corner, for the second time. He was up at three, took the remainder of the mandatory eight count standing, then continued his retreat.

But there was no spring in his legs and he was quickly pinned against the ropes, where Johnson fired away with both hands in a swift flurry. The punches crashed against Clay's unprotected arms and body, then a right landed flush on the jaw spinning Clay around. A numbing left dropped him flat on his back in his corner and under the three knockdowns rule enforced by the Pennsylvania commission, the referee signalled the finish. But he could have counted to fifty for all it mattered, since Clay was out cold and it took almost five minutes before he was on his feet and able to move. He then danced about the ring acting more like the winner than the knockout victim.

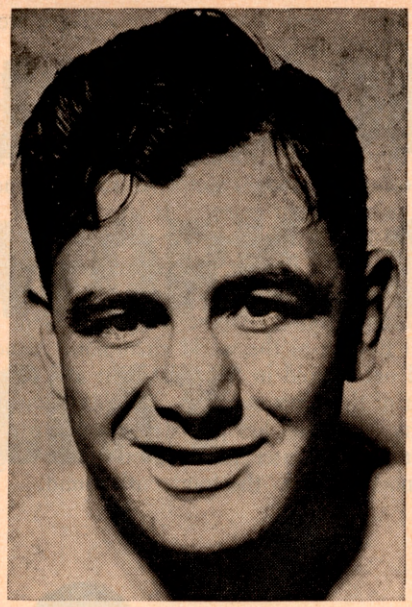
For the thirty-two year old Johnson who had never really wowed the public before in his home town, it was a big night. He collected $13,188 as his share of the $32,970 gate. The big turnout was a tribute to Promoter Al Lewis.

It was Johnson's 14th straight victory in six years and his 31st knockout in a 71-bout career. It was the first kayo Clay had suffered in his three years of professional boxing.

Johnson won National Boxing Association recognition as world champion when he stopped Jesse Bowdry in Miami Beach in the seventh round. Moore is recognized in New York and in all Europe as the world champion. Although Moore knocked out Harold in their last fight and defeated Johnson in four of their five meetings, Harold's showing in stopping Bowdry and Clay, has placed him on a par with Moore. In their last encounter, Johnson was on the verge of victory when knocked out in the fourteenth round.



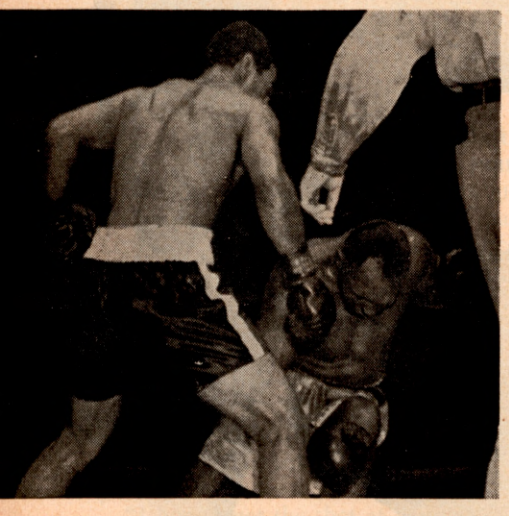
(Above) Von is comforted by his sister, wife of the ex-featherweight contender Percy Bassett. (Right) Clay heads for the deck in the closing seconds of the first round after taking a right behind the ear; three more knockdowns in the second round and it was all over.



James J. Braddock, ex-heavyweight champ labeled as "no puncher" but he could hurt.

Looks Are Deceiving

By AL BUCK



Rocky Marciano, who looked dumpy and awkward. Like Jake Lamotta he was built to take punishment . . . so said the experts . . . but as a puncher they didn't rate him. Then he belted out Jersey Joe Walcott in the 13th round with one big punch and he proved that Looks Are Deceiving.

YOU'VE heard the phrase often enough, of this or that fighter, usually a clever boxer: *"He can't punch his way out of a paper bag."* It happens to be true, even of the heavy hitters. Nobody can.

On one of those amusing Television shows, lined up to amuse the unseen audience and frustrate the performer, James J. Braddock, former world heavyweight champion, accepted the challenger. Boxing gloves were laced on his hands, his shoes were removed, and he was lowered feet first into a large paper bag. Then he attempted to punch his way out.

In such close confines there was no way to get the needed leverage. Braddock punched and punched, and finally fell over. He had failed, as he had to, but does that mean Braddock couldn't punch his way out of a paper bag? The records answers "No."

Often things are not what they appear. Go back to 1934, when Max Baer, colorful clown of clout, standing over six feet with wide shoulders, and long arms, became world heavyweight champion by knocking out Primo Carnera in eleven rounds.

The boxing experts concluded Baer would be champion for 10 years at least. I recall writing something like that myself, and it was a sincere opinion at the time. What we boxing experts didn't realize is that you can't judge a book by it's cover.

For a year, lacking only a day, Baer had a wonderful time, he was champion, a playboy fascinated by the white lights of Broadway. Training was something to be ignored. He was the idol of the fans until that June night when he found himself in the ring with Braddock. When the 15 rounds were over Braddock's hand was raised in victory.

Does that mean Max Baer couldn't punch, or that Braddock was just a clever boxer. By no means. This was the same Baer who two short years before had knocked out Max Schmeling to qualify to fight Carnera. Braddock was the man who had returned all the way from the relief rolls in Jersey City to fight a cautious, well planned battle against a heavily favored foe.

Braddock never had Baer's color, but he was a puncher as shown by his fights with Tuffy Griffiths. The Jersey jolter ruined Tuffy's Garden debut in two rounds. Like Baer he looked like the champion, as did Joe Louis when he came into the Madison Square Garden arena for the Pat McMurtry-George Chuvalo fight. The Brown Bomber was a symphony in brown, a big man trimmed down in weight. He had the build of a puncher, and in his time he had the speed of hand to go with it.

There have been harder-hitting heavyweights than Louis. The experts point out that rarely did he score a punch knockout. That wasn't Bomber Joe's way. He first stunned his opponent and then he finished

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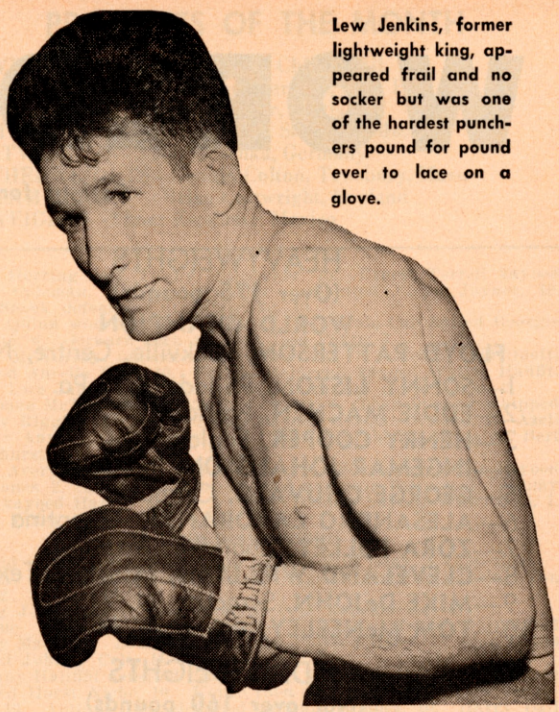

Lew Jenkins, former lightweight king, appeared frail and no socker but was one of the hardest punchers pound for pound ever to lace on a glove.

him off. Nobody could finish a foe like Louis. His power came from speed of hands. Once a challenger had gone down under a series of Louis punches he was finished.

Speed alone is not enough. Billy Conn was the greyhound type. He would hit and dance away. Most of his fights were won on points. He had Louis beaten until the 13th round. Then power decided the issue. Tall, but slight of build, Billy couldn't take out an opponent with one, two, or even three blows.

Tommy Loughran, handsome, tall with wide shoulders, was an impressive figure. He looked like the champion he was, but he relied almost entirely on a left jab. Loughran could and did outsmart his opponents. He rarely hurt them.

Jack Delaney was the opposite. He could settle things with just one blow, usually an uppercut. He did it to Paul Berlenbach and to Tigers Flowers. He was called the Rapier of the North, and the name fitted.

To me the ideal champion was Sugar Ray Robinson. Let the six foot middleweight phenom walk into a room and you know at once he is a celebrity. He wears clothes like a model, and once stripped down, reveals the grace of a tiger. He's just about as dangerous.

Ray would do everything, or could before age started to slow him down. He could box and punch. Once he had great speed of foot as well as of hand. There may have been better fighters than Sugar Ray. I haven't seen them.

Benny Leonard would fool you. Looking at him you might not suspect he was a puncher. He was also a boxer, and combined skill with power. He was the greatest fighter of his day, excepting only Jack Dempsey. The Manassa Mauler had the long muscles that are associated with heavy hitting. Like Louis, Dempsey could finish off an opponent.

The movies of his second fight with Gene Tunney show that Dempsey landed six jolting punches while the fighting Marine was going down for the "long count." What is surprising is Gene got up, beat a hasty retreat, and came back to win.

Tunney built himself into a broad shouldered heavyweight. He had an educated left and a jolting right cross. He was a superior champion, although he wasn't apt to knock over an opponent with a single blow. He wore down his rivals, and retired undefeated.

Look at Rocky Marciano. He's short, even dumpy in build. You might conclude there was little danger in Rocky, and how wrong you would be. He won the title with one punch, a right to Jersey Joe Walcott's jaw, delivered when his cause seemed lost. Rocky could take it too, as all good champions must, and like Tunney he retired undefeated.

Gene and Rocky are different types, and yet both

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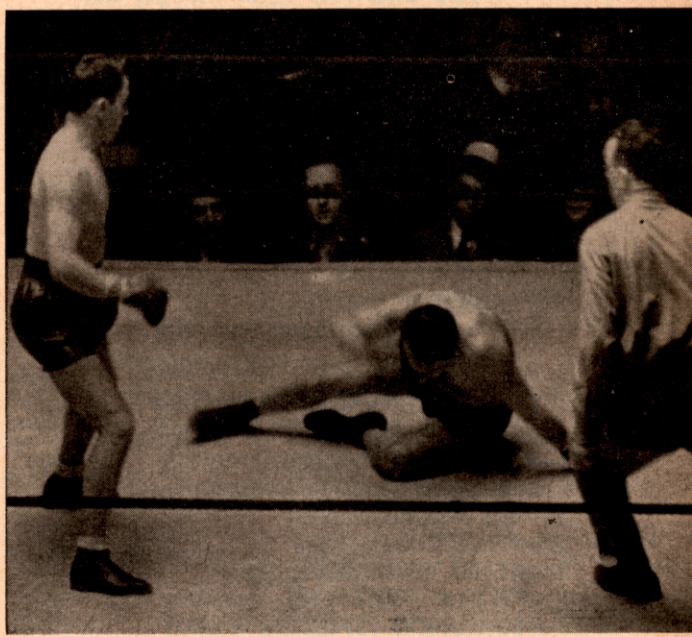

Jimmy McLarnin, called "Baby Face" was not assayed as a man of destructive force. Here we see Benny Leonard on his comeback trail being smashed to bits by McLarin, a murderous banger

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

Ratings for the Month ending May 22.

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Rockville, Centre, N. Y.

1—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Portland, Ore.
3—**HENRY COOPER,** England
4—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
5—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada
6—**ALESANDRO LAVORANTE,** Argentina
7—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
8—**CLEVELAND WILLIAMS,** Houston, Tex.
9—**MIKE DeJOHN,** Syracuse, N. Y.
10—**TOM McNEELEY,** Arlington, Mass.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass.

*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
3—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
4—**TERRY DOWNES,** England
5—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
6—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ,** Cuba
7—**HANK CASEY,** Richmond, Calif.
8—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
9—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini
10—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** Buffalo, N. Y.

* NBA Middleweight Champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, La.

1—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
2—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
3—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
4—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**DOUG VAILLANT,** Cuba
*6—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
7—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
8—**GIORDANO CAMPARI,** Italy
9—**SOLOMON BOYSAW,** Cleveland, O.
10—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.

* NBA Junior Lightweight Champion

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
EDER JOFRE, Brazil

*1—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
2—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
3—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
4—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
5—**KENJI YONEKURA,** Japan
6—**PIERRE COSSMYNS,** Belgium
7—**EDMUNDO ESPARZA,** Mexico
8—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
9—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Mexico
10—**ENRIQUE HITCHMAN,** Cuba

* Recognized by Europe as Champion

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

*1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy
3—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N. Y.
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
6—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami, Fla.
7—**KIRK BARROW,** Spokane, Wash.
8—**BOBO OLSON,** Portland, Ore.
9—**VON CLAY,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.

* NBA Light Heavyweight Champion

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N. Y.

1—**BENNY PARET,** Cuba
2—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**JORGE FERNANDEZ,** Argentina
*5—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
6—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
7—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
8—**TED WRIGHT,** Detroit, Mich.
9—**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
10—**GUY SUMLIN,** Pritchard, Ala.

* NBA Junior Welterweight Champion

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

1—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
2—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
3—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
4—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
5—**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
6—**JUAN RAMIREZ,** Mexico
7—**RAY NOBILE,** Italy
8—**FLOYD ROBERTSON,** Ghana
9—**TERRY SPINKS,** England
10—**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand

1—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
2—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
3—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
4—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
5—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentina
6—**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
7—**HIRAM BACALLAO,** Cuba
8—**RISTO LUKKONEN,** Finland
9—**JEAN GUERARD,** France
10—**ERNESTO BARRERA,** Mexico

Harold Johnson and Paul Pender Fighters of the Month

THE international boxing situation now seems to be centered around Sonny Liston. Will he or will he not be given the opportunity to fight Floyd Patterson for the world heavyweight championship. The latest information indicates that Sonny, though rated top challenger for exactly a year, will be shooed to the sidelines until 1962 due to the wish of the champion to face an unrated opponent this year because of the tax problem he faces.

Thus in the latest international ranking of this publication, Liston continues to rate leading challenger, with Eddie Machen, Henry Cooper and Ingemar Johansson following in that order. Alejandro Lavorante of Argentina, whose kayo victory over Zora Folley, has brought him into the ratings in sixth place, close to the top.

Although Paul Pender successfully defended his crown against Carmen Basilio, the speed with which Harold Johnson of Philadelphia wrecked Von Clay of the same city in their fight for the N.B.A. light heavyweight crown, places him on a par with Pender as Ring's Fighter of the Month. Clay dropped from seventh to ninth, trading posts with Kirk Barrow of Spokane, Washington, who has won all of his five bouts this year.

In the middleweight class, Yama Bahama of Bimini, regained a place in the top ten by defeating Joey Giambra of Buffalo. Bahama is ranked ninth and Giambra has gone down to tenth place, with Joey Giardello of Philadelphia up from ninth to eighth. Denny Moyer of Portland has been eliminated to make way for Bahama's entry among the elite.

Ted Wright of Detroit, kayo winner over Helmut Mistol of Germany, advanced from ninth to eighth among the welters, exchanging posts with inactive Brian Curvis of Wales. Duilio Loi who retained his Junior welter title beating Carlos Ortiz moved up to fifth trading with inactive Federico Thompson of Argentina.

There was little action in the lightweight class. Mexican champion Juan Ramirez, who got a draw with Sugar Ramos of Cuba, advanced from seventh to sixth, with inactive Ray Nobile of Italy, down from fifth to seventh and the new British champion, Howard Winstone of Wales, jumping three hurdles, from eighth to fifth place. Terry Spinks of England, who lost to Winstone who stopped him in the tenth round, dropped from sixth to ninth with British Empire champion Floyd Robertson of Ghana, up from ninth to eighth.

Inactive Leo Espinosa of the Philippines, fell from fifth to eighth place in the bantam class with Kenji Yonekura of Japan, upped from seventh to fifth.

Edmundo Esparza of Mexico, winner over Herman Marques, advanced from eighth to seventh, while Carlos Hernandez of Mexico, traded places with Enrique Hitchman of Cuba from tenth to ninth. Enrique dropped to tenth post.

Jean Guarard of France who upset European champion Risto Lukkonen of Finland in a non-title bout, joins the flyweight contenders and is now rated ninth. Risto dropped from seven to eighth position.

Hiram Baccallao of Cuba has advanced one peg from eighth to seventh and Ernesto Barrera of Mexico, lost one notch, down from ninth to tenth. Inactive Carlos Rodriguez of Argentina was removed to pave the way for Guarard.

Here are the month's outstanding results.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Alejandro Lavorante kayoed Zora Folley, 7, and Wayne Womochil, 2.

Robert Cleroux kayoed Harold Carter, 2.

Brian London halted Billy Hunter, 8. George Logan outscored Calvin Butler, 10.

Monroe Ratliff outscored Roland LaStarza, 10. Amos Lincoln outpointed Young Jack Johnson, 10. Mariano Echevarria won the Spanish title outpointing Jose Gonzalez, 12. Cassius Clay kayoed Lamar Clark, 2. Karl Mildenberg defeated Frankie Daniels, 10. Frankie then was stopped by Sante Amonti, 9.

PROSPECTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Jimmy Jones, Chicago, Ill.
LIGHT HEAVWEIGHTS—Tom Gerarde, Erie, Pa.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Willie Fisher, Scotland
WELTERWEIGHTS—Fufus Mack, St. Louis, Mo.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Peter Goschka, Germany
FEATHERWEIGHTS—George Colton, Tewsbury, Mass.
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Brian Cartwright, England
FLYWEIGHTS—Elmer Escalante, Mexico

Tod Herring beat Tunny Hunsacker, 10. Ernest Terrell kayoed Willie Coleman, 1. Jim McCarter outpointed Floyd Joyner, 10. Wim Snoek defeated Ulli Nitzschke, 10.

Don Quinn won over Benny Mason, 10. Ernie Cab halted Georgie Johnson, 6. Gerhard Zech stopped Jose Peyre, 3.

Bill McMurray outscored Joe Sullivan, 8. Hector Martinotti defeated Aurelio Diaz, 10. Franco DePiccoli kayoed Walter Haufft, 2, and Uwe Janssen, 2. Orrie Paschall kayoed Ernie Knox, 2.

Solomon McTier defeated Terrell Pruitt, 6. Thad Spencer whipped Johnny Riggins, 6. Sonny Banks kayoed Herman Wilson, 1. Azell Scarver kayoed Connie Lee, 2. Plinio Scarabellin defeated Bert Whitehurst, 10.

Bob Avery drew with Kid Murphy, 6. Wilfredo Aveliez kayoed Sam Jones, 2. Kunu Shurfoot stopped Sampson Sawyer, 1. Jimmy Jones kayoed Harvey Jones, 1. Billy Daniels kayoed Willie Bell, 1. James Wiley kayoed Bill Nieder, 9.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Archie Moore kayoed Cliff Gray, 4 (non-title).

N.B.A. Champion Harold Johnson retained his title kayoing Von Clay, 2.

Doug Jones kayoed Heavyweight Pete Rademacher, 5.

Roque Maravilla kayoed Willie Gill, 4. Mauro outpointed Freddy Mack, 10. Sonny Ray kayoed Floyd Palmer, 2. Stan Cullis stopped Johnny Cole, 11.

Johnny Halifihi defeated heavyweight Ray Shiel, 8. Wladis Kopec whipped Horst Niche, 10. Kopec then was pset by Georges Torrecillas, 10. Antonio Diaz defeated Antonio Monnez, 10. Harry Ball kayoed heavyweight Bruno Scarabelin, 5.

Young Beau Jack bested Gordon Farnsworth, 8. Alf Barker outscored Brian Coxhead, 8. Leslie Smith outscored Pat Roberts, 6. Allen Thomas defeated Clarence Riley, 8. Bobby Stininato stopped Tommy Caldwell, 5.

Lew Moses kayoed Don Bailey, 2. Cliff Murkey kayoed Eddie Anderson, 1. Ducky Dietz kayoed Sam Langford, 1, and Eddie Fooks, 2.

John Canty whipped Moses Scott, 6, and Ted Martin, 6. Larry Howard stopped Milton Tate, 6. Bennis Bowser stopped Jimmy Fields, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

World Champion Paul Pender retained his title outpointing Carmen Basilio, 15.

British champion Terry Downes stopped Tony Montano, 5.

Yama Bahama outpointed Joey Giambra, 10. Holly Mims outpointed Mel Collins, 10. Joey Giardello kayoed Wilf Greaves, 9.

Rocky Fumerelle defeated Ralph Jones, 10. Obdulio Nunez outscored Babe Simmons, 10. Laszlo Papp defeated Moussa Sangaree, 10. Hugo Danielli drew with Ubaldo Sacco, 10. Sacco then kayoed Alberto Billaflor, 5, and drew with Francisco Gelabert, 10. Andres Selpa defeated Cesar Pereyra, 10, and won on a disqualification over Rocky Rivero, 5. Joe Gonzalez defeated Charley Scott, 10. Juan Carlos Duran defeated Ginacarlo Gabelli, 10.

Del Flanagan won on a disqualification over Gert Van Heerden, 8. Billy Picket outpointed Johnny Morris, 10. Al Williams outpointed Neal Rivers, 10, but was kayoed by John Smith, 5. Gilbert Lavoine beat Gerhard Moll, 10. Tommy Payne defeated Lucky Little, 8.

Blair Richardson outpointed Bobby Barnes, 10. Duane Horsman kayoed Clarence Cook, 4. Wayne Thronton stopped Toro Saenz, 2. Johnny Osborne whipped Willie Jennings, 8. Dave Brown whipped Don Bale, 8. Claude Williams and Mel Collins drew, 10. Duane Horseman stopped Clarence Harbin, 7.

Dick Young kayoed Paolo Cottino, 4. Eddie Pace outpointed Ramon Hernandez, 10. Johnny Alford kayoed Johnny Clyde, 1. Charley Austin kayoed Roque Proano, 6.

Terry Smith kayoed Perry Hicks, 7. Claude Williams stopped Jim Robinson, 3. Clarence Riley defeated Lucky Little, 10. Mutt Goodwin outpointed Clarence James, 10.

Johnny Featherman whipped Charlie Wright, 6. Marty Kaplan and John Belton, drew, 6. Moses Cooper stopped James Patrick, 5. Jacksen Brown whipped Cookie Green, 6. Gene Bryant defeated Al Andrews, 6. Billy Hall halted Willie Caddell, 6. Al Avant whipped Haywood Johnson, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez stopped Alvaro Gutierrez, 5.

Ted Wright halted Helmut Mistol, 8. Duilio Loi retained his NBA Junior welterweight title outpointing Carlos Ortiz, 15. Brian Curvis retained his British and Empire titles outpointing Wally Swift, 15.

Roberto Cruz won the Philippines title outpointing Rocky Kalingo, 12. Mauro Vazquez kayoed Samuel Cantu, 3. Hilario Morales upset Curtis Cokes, 10. Cecil Shorts beat Isaac Logart, 10.

Juan Chacon kayoed Miguel Diaz, 2. Johnny Melfah kayoed Peter Read, 3. Joey Reynolds defeated Kid Casey, 8. Jesse Jones stopped Franco Nenci, 6. Joe White kayoed Bernardo Flores, 5.

Mick Leahy defeated Tanos Lambrianides, 8. Richardo Falech defeated Alfonzo Paz, 10. Rau Roldan kayoed Alejandrino Rojas, 6.

Art Garcia stopped Dorsey Williams, 6, and Ralph Moore, 5. Bruce Gibson defeated Enrique Tovar, 10. Frank Hardison halted Kid Salerno, 6. Johnny Kramer kayoed Ola Michael, 4. Gil Diaz defeated Ronnie Cohen, 8. T. J. Jones won over Willie Westbrook, 8. Frank Hardison stopped Luigi Castoldi, 8.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Doug Vaillant outpointed welter Kid Rayo, 10.

Kenny Lane outscored Rip Randell, 10. Aissa Hashas outscored Charley Douglas, 10. Gildo Montoya whipped Santiago Ramirez, 10. Arthur Persley kayoed Ryukichi Fukuchi, 1. L. C. Morgan kayoed Blitz Najar, 3.

Baby Vasquez kayoed Kid Guanajuato, 5. Kazuo Takayama halted Kenzo Shimamura, 4. Eddie Garcia kayoed Billy Walker, 9. Kid Anahuac won on a disqualification over Angel Garcia, 3. Chino Diaz

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By TED CARROLL

The Strange Career of Al Singer

THERE was a goodly crowd on hand in the athletic field at Camp Upton, N. Y., one August evening in 1942, when former boxing man Jim Cullen climbed into the ring to announce the evening's entertainment, a card of exhibition boxing bouts. Following a couple of three round displays by unknown but willing young men, Mr. Cullen, civilian attache to the reception centre's recreational staff, after first requesting complete silence and with some dramatic pause, proudly sounded forth, *"And now, let me present in a three round exhibition the former lightweight champion of the world—Al Singer!"*

The name of Al Singer caused slight reaction among the youthful inductees but startled the older GI's to whom the black haired, somewhat pudgy, figure now removing a faded bathrobe in a ring corner, portrayed the past propelled into the present.

For a man who had last donned the gloves seven years before, Singer's efforts brought forth amazement from onlookers. He was uncannily quick with his hands, and moved briskly about the canvas, although pounds over the lightweight class limit in which he gained fame. His blows were delivered crisply in the staccato style which had stamped his boxing in his heyday, and they still packed power. At the conclusion the camp commandant, Col. Downing, led the ovation which hailed the former champion's showing.

Actually Al Singer wasn't terribly old at the time, being only 32, but his career, unusually brief and crammed into the ages of eighteen to twenty-two, had brought him early retirement from the ring in 1932. True, he had tried it again three years later in 1935, but this was of little significance amounting to four "pseudo" bouts against nondescripts.

Singer's career might have been longer but a seldom-publicized eye injury—which was evident in his army hitch, although he was accepted—abridged his boxing days.

For a time Al Singer was one of the greatest attractions New York City ever had in the boxing business. He was one of those unfortunates whose careers have been capsuled into recollections of losing bouts. Therefore, the name of Al Singer to boxing people churns up memories of his one round "What-was-it" in which he surrendered the lightweight crown to Tony Canzoneri in 1930, his kayo at the hands of Jimmy M'Larnin, and his collapse against Bat Battalino in the last serious bout of his career.

Still, he was a tremendous drawing card for a brief period and there were good reasons for it. To begin with he was lightning fast as a youngster, a ripping hitter who, coming out of the Bronx in 1927, slashed his way through a slew of neighborhood prides in sensational fashion.

Opposing a local rival, Lou Moskowitz, in a Madison Square Garden preliminary on Nov. 16, 1928, Singer completely stole the show from the main-eventers with a five-round knockout which elicited rave notices in every New York paper the following day.

Prior to this, in compiling a long winning streak in the smaller clubs, he had awakened the old battle cry of *"another Benny Leonard"* with sensational exhibitions against a tough little Greek George Nickfor, and a rising Brooklyn hopeful, Tony Pellegrino.

Even the great Leonard himself, who had given Ruby Goldstein his "blessing" as *"another Leonard"* with some misgivings, seemed much more confident of Singer's being the long awaited successor to the great Benny's mantle of invincibility. Benny joined in the Singer ballyhoo especially after the swarthy young Bronxite, with less than two years professional experience, fought Tony Canzoneri on even terms in the Garden on Dec. 14, 1928.

The great automatic following which Jewish fighters in New York in those days always magnetized, milled about the box offices when Al Singer was slated to perform. This was to make Singer, by the admission of a brother, a doctor to whom custody of his finances was given by the family, a rich man with $125,000 in the bank by the age of twenty. This is evident from a rundown of the "gates" drawn by Singer during a time of economic depression and following the great Wall St. crash of Oct. 1929.

More than 20,000 customers had crammed the Garden paying $60,000 to see him draw with Canzoneri. Singer was a real young man in a hurry. He fought that way, and that's the way the money rolled in. He picked up $50,000 tax-free dollars out of the $215,000 house which turned out to see him drop a hairline decision to Kid Chocolate. Incidentally, this was one of Singer's better efforts. He made weight of 130 lbs. for the Cuban Wonder, and at the end of fifteen rounds marked more by finesse than any ferocity there was little to choose between them.

He belongs in any list of ring prodigies. He had won and lost the lightweight championship at the age of twenty-one. His handlers wasted little time with him, rushing him into the heat of competition with hard-bitten veterans like Bud Taylor when he was still in his teens.

He was a lot better fighter than given credit for. This being additional reason why such crowds as the one that coughed up $66,000 to see him knock out Jersey City's much heralded Young Zazzarino in the Garden following the Chocolate fight in Oct. 1930, were commonplace with him.

There were some signs of fragility when he ran into a startling knockout at the hands of dangerous, wild-swinging Filipino, Ignazio Fernandez, early in '29 but he bounced back from that upset with a spectacular knockout of tough former featherweight king, Andre Routis, on July 24, 1929 following up with the Chocolate photo finish and the Zazzarino belting.

After outboxing Fernandez with little trouble in a return in 1930, the stage was set for a light weight title match with clever Sammy Mandell. Some have stated that Singer was susceptible to soft heartedness against opponents but there were no signs of any solicitousness as

he tore into the fading Mandell, already weakended by weight making, so savagely the champion did not last a round.

Champion of the world at the age of twenty, Singer and his handlers couldn't resist the golden bait dangled before them in the guise of a match with heavier Jimmy McLarnin.

The Mandell match had drawn $130,000; two months later on Sept. 11, 1930, the Yankee Stadium turnstiles clicked to the tune of $133,000 as M'Larnin, enjoying his inevitable weight edge, flattened Singer in three rounds. Al had done well in the first two heats, but the third round found him on the canvas, holding his neck, and kicking his heels in the air after being nailed by a M'Larnin barrage.

Few little fighters at any time had as many lucrative paydays as Singer. Such opposition as Davey Abad, Pete Nebo, and Stan Loayza, besides those already mentioned, proved to be box office bonanzas when paired with Al Singer, with "houses" averaging about $50,000 over-all; and these were not inflation swollen dollars, but solid money of nearly triple today's dollar purchasing power.

Singer was an ex-champion less than five months after he won the title, losing the crown to Canzoneri in a one-round baffler which has been the cause for comment ever since it happened on the night of Nov. 14, 1930.

The tentacles of certain sinister syndicates were far-reaching during this time of prohibition and bootleg booze entangling many fighters of the era. Singer once said that his first manager was escorted into a waiting car one evening and that the last ever heard of him. But it wasn't the last heard of his successors, who with Hymie Caplin, attended to the affairs of the Bronx boy.

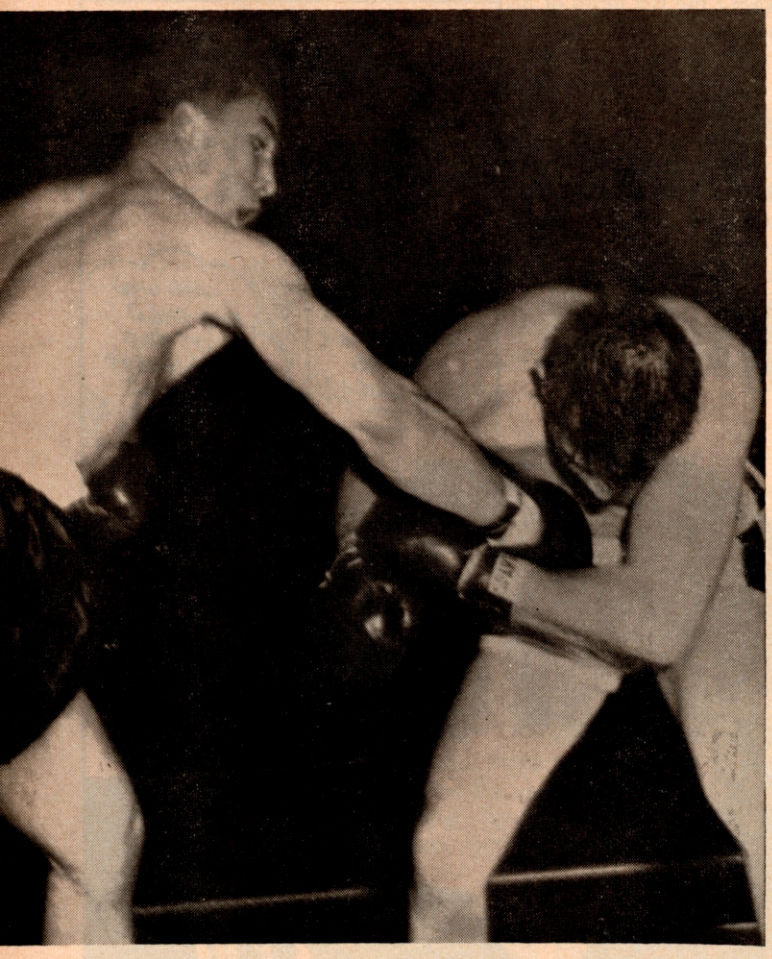
The whole Singer managerial setup blew up one afternoon in 1931, in the offices of Madison Square Garden when, amidst an explosion of charges and counter-charges by Singer and Manager Caplin, Al hauled off and let a punch fly at his manager.

When the smoke of battle had cleared, Hymie, of course, was no longer Singer's manager and Al's services were finally dealt to French sharpie Leon See for $12,500.

For some time Singer had been complaining of eye trouble the result of a meeting in Detroit with Patsy Ruffalo back in 1929. This could have had something to do with his failure at the hands of Bat Battalino in his last bona-fide bout on Dec. 11, 1931, in which he suffered a two-round kayo.

Like too many fighters of his time, including rival Tony Canzoneri, whom he was to survive little more than a year, Singer's fortune appeared to evaporate. His army hitch dredged him out of obscurity, his eventual release because of impaired eyesight made legitimate his complaint of years before and presents his surprising setbacks in a different focus.

It appears that his vanished earnings, failing sight and other personal problems made re-adjustment to a post-boxing career most difficult for poor Al Singer, gone to glory at the untimely age of fifty-one. Brevity was the theme of his career and life brightened only by a lightning flash of sudden fame.



KING GEORGE OF CANADA

George Chuvalo, Holder of the Canadian Heavyweight Title, Fires A Bombing Right At Bob Cleroux in Montreal, Canada, Where Chuvalo Gained Unanimous Twelve Decision.

By NAT LOUBET

RING history records the names of a number of boxers who without the aid of preliminary bouts, made the main event grade. Among them, for example, Harry Wills, New York's top heavyweight who while in his prime, chased after Jack Dempsey for a shot at the world crown without success, and then, when old age crept up on him, was put out of the picture in his bouts with Jack Sharkey and Paulino Uzcudun. Of course this is an exception. Not many pugilists of note found their way into the star bout class without a climb up the preliminary ladder.

Which brings us to the case of George Chuvalo, the Canadian heavyweight champion who began his pro career with a top booking and in a short time, found himself in The Ring World Ratings.

Whether Chuvalo can retain or better his standing among the world heavyweights, is problematical.

In 24 professional fights he has won eighteen, thirteen by knockouts, has lost five and had one draw as this goes to press.

An analysis of his record discloses some interesting information. In meeting Johnny Arthur, the South African champion, in 1956, Chuvalo faced a man in his first professional fight who had been tested and seasoned under fire by Lou Strydom, Reg Andrews, Jo Weidin, Johnny Williams, Don Cockell, Jimmy Walls and Willie Pastrano. He had thirty-four fights at the time that George met him and was considered a pro and if not a world beater, a fighter who was to be reckoned with.

The odds favored Arthur on the basis of even a poor professional being superior to a good amateur. This adage is more often than not a good one. In the case of Chuvalo, the dope was wrong. The good amateur won.

For an eighteen year old lad he is now twenty-one—he utilized his 200 odd pounds and six feet one inch, to remarkable effect.

He was fairly poised and boxed with confidence. He displayed a sharp left hook and punched cleanly with both hands.

He looked more experienced than he was. Not reckless, he paced himself carefully and went the entire eight rounds to win the unanimous decision.

If there was a hole in his armor it was his inability to perform well in the infighting. It was here that Arthur's experience showed. Additional ring time was needed to polish up Chuvalo.

Many a budding hopeful has been only to be chopped off the branch by a seasoned veteran who despite his jading ability has sufficient "know how" to capitalize on every mistake his inexperienced opponent makes.

This problem is acutely seen in the cases of men who jumped into main event status right off. Men like Dan Hodge, whose claim to fame was a Golden Gloves background, Pete Rademacher, who notched a place in the pugilistic sun as an Olympic champ and his ability to floor Floyd Patterson, world champ prior to being knocked out himself, and how another heavyweight in George Chuvalo, who entered the fight scene as the Canadian amateur champ.

Both Hodge and Rademacher showed the need for preliminary bout seasoning before attempting main event status. Rademacher, in fighting for a world title in his first main go, achieved an unprecedented goal for youngsters. Chuvalo's entrance as a fighter, was impressive if not as spectacular as Rademacher. Both fought for a title in their first fight. Here the facimile ends.

Pete was easily shown up, despite his knockdown of Patterson, as a green, pugilistic bumpkin. His later bout with Zora Folley in which he was knocked out in 4th round, destroyed any modicum of acclaim he had salvaged from his meeting with Patterson. Hodge was iced in his first fight in which he was headlined though once he has won two bouts at this writing.

This leaves Chuvalo as the only current pro who has climbed into world rating without the benefit of proper seasoning as a preliminary boy.

Chuvalo's amateur career was composed of eighteen boxing matches that culimated in his winning of the championship of Canada and his twelve seconds of fighting in the Jack Dempsey's amateur tournament in Toronto in 1956, in which he knocked out four opponents. After the Arthur bout, he was unable to return to a preliminary status and continued on as a main eventer. He took an easy one from Joe Evans in one heat and then faced a ringwise Howard King. He lost a split decision to King who had the kid's number from the opening bell.

King nullified Chuvalo's high explosives by crowding the green youngster and tying him up. A veteran of over fifty fights King held the distinction of having stayed the limit on two occasions with the current light heavyweight champion, Archie Moore.

After the fight King had this to say about Chuvalo: "The kid's a good, tough boy who's going places." He continued: *"He's got ring sense and a good build for a fighter. He can punch too . . . that right he handed me in the seventh round really hurt."*

As King stated, Chuvalo is a well built youngster. He is bull shouldered, as punchers usually are, and is lean and big boned. Chuvalo shook off the effects of his loss to King and worked on his style in the gym. A month later he met and defeated Bob Biehler in an eight round decision. Biehler was no world beater but was a good trial horse to test the ring savvy that George had been working on.

The usual build-ups found in most climbing fighters' records followed a quick knockout over Sid Russell and a three rounder over Walter Hafer, then on the comeback trail and a good name for the record book.

Moses Graham was taken out in one and Emil Brtko in two. In the dressing room after the bout Brtko stated:

"That fellow Chuvalo has too many hands, like a street fighter he has a good right as well as the left which I was told to watch."

Brtko was right about one thing, Chuvalo was a street fighter. A product of the underprivileged he had been a tough kid who had been lucky enough to end up in the ring instead of the reform schools as had many of his playmates.

He has learned that it is better to fight for money then for fun. He loves to fight but has been able to combine his loves . . . money and fighting. This is a happy pairing of urges in the makeup of a ringman.

Tommy McBeigh, Chuvalo's manager, and Deacon Allen, a guiding light in the Chuvalo camp, felt that it was almost time to test out their charge against a talent. He had a fight coming up with Joe Olson and if he could get over that one, they planned to get him a fight with Bob Baker.

Well, Chuvalo got over Olson. He stopped him in four. This was the first fight outside of Toronto for George. It took place at Fort William and the change of venue didn't effect the outcome.

Baker was introduced on the scene and won an eight round decision from Chuvalo by playing to the lad's weak points. The greenness showed up once again, inside, where George was unable to successfully handle his more experienced man. At that he almost took Baker out in the eighth and last round. The fact remains that Baker made the bell and won the contest.

If there is another deficit in Chuvalo's makeup, it is a weakness of skin tissue around his left eye which was badly cut in the Baker and in two previous bouts. This weakness is sure to be exploited by his rivals when he climbs into a ring with a "heady" opponent.

The Baker fight concluded Chuvalo's campaigning for 1957. He started off 1958 by winning a ten rounder from a veteran, who although over the hill, has been considered one of the hardest punching heavyweights in the game.

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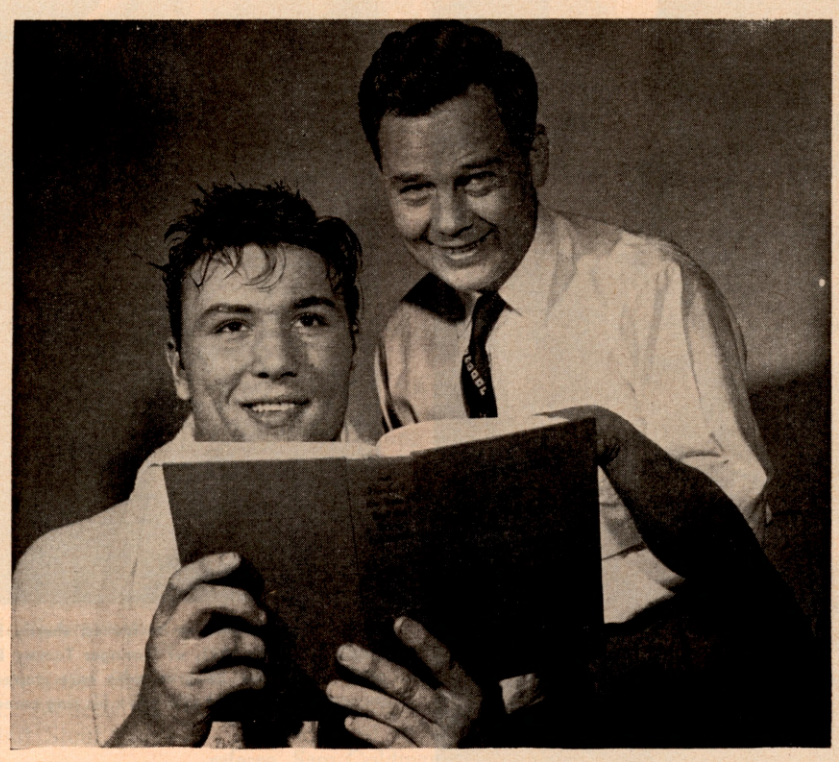
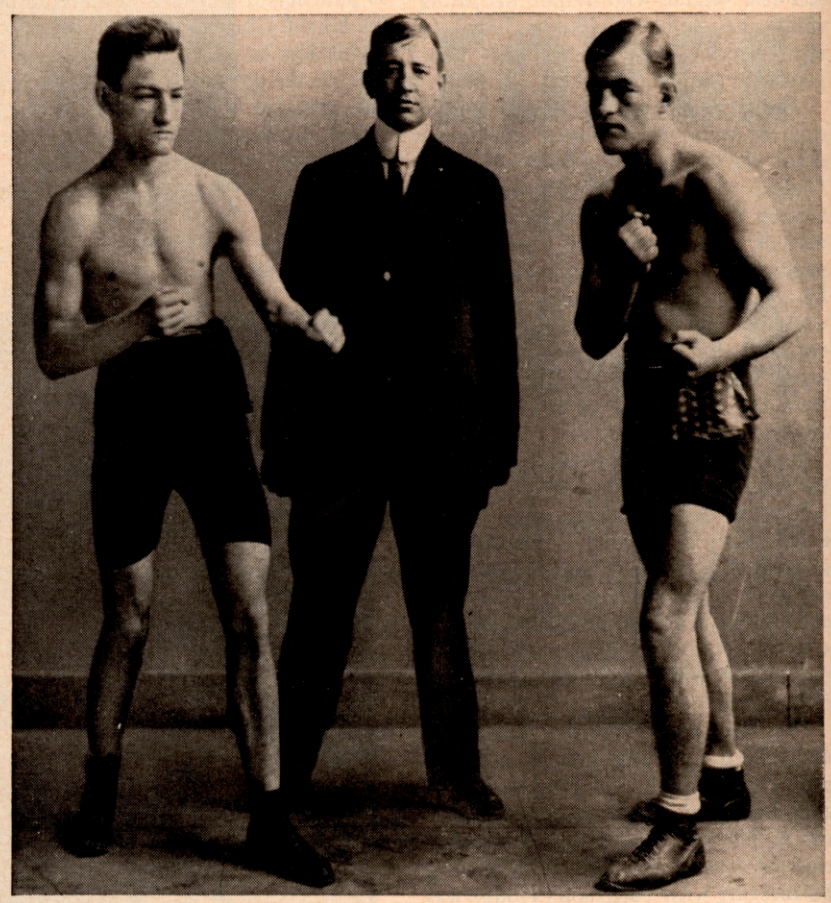


Chuvalo looks over his listing in The Ring Record book with his manager Tommy McBeigh. Both seem satisfied with what they see. McBeigh stated that someday in the not too distant future his fighter's name will be found among the world champions.

Frankie Burns



(Left)—Frankie Burns as he looked shortly before his fatal illness. (Above)—An early photograph, taken in 1911, of Manager Tommy Lee and his two Jersey City proteges, Burns (left) and Joe Shugrue. Shugrue, who once stopped Benny Leonard, was an outstanding contender for world lightweight title when his ring career was suddenly cut short in 1915 by failing vision.

By JERSEY JONES

A CHAMPION is supposed to be the best man in whatever athletic field he operates. Usually he is, but not always.

Ring annals are cluttered with case histories of great craftsmen who should have been champions but because of the vagaries of a capricious destiny never scaled the championship heights.

Many of them rated above the reigning monarchs of their eras. Some, like Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons, weren't particularly interested in titles, and were content to go along the even tenor of their winning ways, the uncrowned kings of all they surveyed.

Others, like Sam Langford, were studiously avoided by the title-holders of their times.

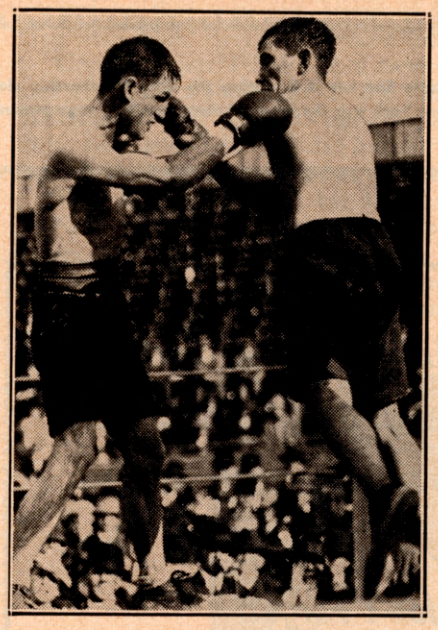
Still others, like Lew Tendler, were unfortunate in arriving on the scene simultaneously with invincible champions. Had any other lightweight but the peerless Benny Leonard ruled the 135-pound roost when Tendler hit his peak, Lefty Lew unquestionably would have been champion.

Then there were those who were given chances to win titles, and actually did win them, but were deprived of their just rewards by errant decisions.

Such a one was Frankie Burns, who recently died in his native Jersey City at the age of 71.

The bantamweight division has never produced a more able mechanic than

Passing of Noted Jersey Ringman, at 71, Recalls Poor Decisions that Twice Deprived Him of World Bantamweight Championship



Burns (left) suffered one of his few defeats when he lost a close 20-round decision to California's brilliant Eddie Campi in Vernon, Cal. Later the pair fought a 15-round draw in Denver, and ended their brief "feud" in six-round no-decision bout in Philadelphia.

Burns, a real artisan with a versatile style that could be adjusted to any occasion. He could outbox fighters and outfight boxers. He was particularly proficient in what has become a fast art in the trade, infighting.

For the better part of a busy career that began in 1908 and ended in 1921, Burns was the best bantam in the world. But he never acquired the title.

It wasn't that Frankie lacked opportunity. Far from it. He was given three cracks at the championship, all in 20-round decision bouts in New Orleans, first with Johnny Coulon in 1912, then with Kid Williams in 1915 and finally with Pete Herman in 1917. The best he could salvage for himself out of the three efforts was a draw with Williams.

Burns should have been declared winner over both Coulon and Williams. In those days, however, champions often insisted on naming their own referees in title bouts, and their hand-picked officials saved the laurels for Johnny and the Kid.

Coulon brought along "Silk Shirt Harry" Stout from Milwaukee to handle his meeting with Burns. All accounts of the bout credited Burns with winning, but Stout gave Coulon the verdict.

In his report of the bout, Will Hamilton of the New Orleans Item voiced the sentiments of nearly 6,000 spectators when he wrote: "Frankie Burns should be champion of the world and Johnny Coulon an ex-champion. As it is, by grace of a very bad decision by Referee Harry Stout, Coulon remains champion."

Burns could always beat Coulon. He did it twice before and once after the New Orleans episode. Unfortunately, those meetings were of the 10-round no-decision species, and only a knockout could have taken the title from the Chicagoan. Two of the bouts were staged in 1910, first in Brooklyn, then in New York, and the final get-together was in Kenosha, Wis., in 1913. In all three meetings, the unofficial newspaper verdicts went to Burns.

When Coulon lost the title to Kid Williams in Vernon, Cal., early in 1914, Burns promptly started after the Baltimore blond. A year and a half later he and Williams hooked up in New Orleans. Once again Burns had to contend not only with his opponent but the latter's choice of referee, Ed Smith of Chicago.

Smith's decision was a draw, but the majority of the fans and critics felt that Burns once again had been unjustly deprived of the championship.

That was the only time Burns and Williams met. A year later the Kid lost the title to Pete Herman in New Orleans, and a match between the new champion and Burns became a "natural."

In 1914, in his second year of fighting, Herman had been stopped by Burns in New Orleans. Frankie had been too strong and experienced for the youngster, and Pete's handlers conceded defeat by tossing in the towel in the 13th round.

That was the only knockout defeat every suffered by Herman, and it rankled with him and his manager, Red Walsh. Welcoming the opportunity to even the score with Burns, they agreed to a championship bout on November 5, 1917, in the Louisiana Auditorium.

Burns was then a veteran of 28, with ten years of industrious campaigning behind him. Not only had he begun to show the wear and tear of an active career, but it had become difficult for him to make the prescribed 118 pounds ringside.

Herman, meanwhile, had learned much from his previous ill-fated meeting with Burns and had developed into a powerful little fighting machine.

An odd twist to the title match was supplied by the referee, Sam Goldman, a popular local sportsman, who was destined to succeed Walsh as Herman's manager.

Burns had no complaint to register against Goldman's officiating or the decision he awarded to Herman. Frankie lost, and there was no disputing the verdict this time. The younger Herman set a blistering pace from the start and the veteran needed all his skill and ring generalship to finish the twenty rounds.

That defeat marked Burns' last official bid for the bantam title, although he met Herman again in an overweight, eight-round no-decision bout in Jersey City during the summer of 1918. Herman, who seldom was serious about no-decision affairs, didn't extend himself and Burns was credited with outpointing him.

The full measure of Burns' exceptional fistic talents can be gauged by his remarkable record of having been knocked out only once in 160 ring battles, and that was at the tail-end of his career when featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane flattened him in five rounds in Jersey City in 1919. Burns was then 30 and had been fighting twelve years.

During his industrious span in the ring, the Jersey Irishman missed none of the era's top bantams and often stepped into the heavier featherweight class to tangle with the best in that division. In 1911 he was credited with outpointing Abe Attell, then featherweight champion, in a ten-round

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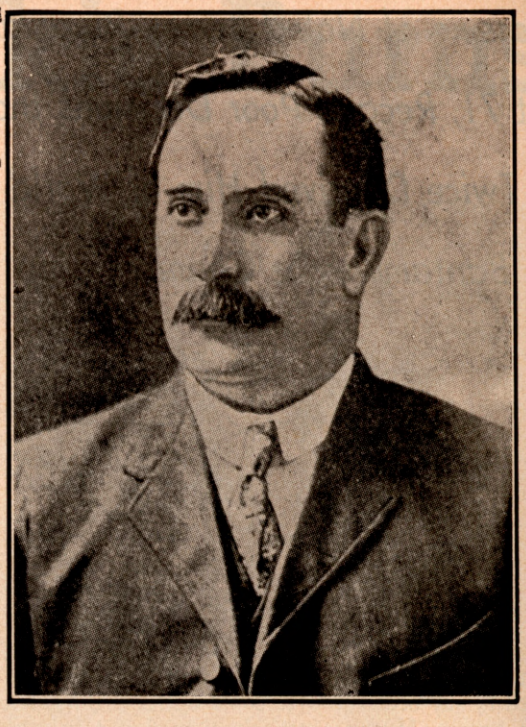
Jim Buckley whose Sharkey A.C. during the Club Membership days of boxing in New York was the scene of many thrilling engagements.



Another in an exclusive series in The Ring by writers who were actually at ringside of the Fights They Couldn't Forget.

Fights I Cannot Forget

By JOE WOODMAN
(Dean of American Managers)

(Veteran, newspaper man, writer and publicist who has been identified with the sport for more than half a century)

NOT all the **"Fights I Cannot Forget"** have left their imprint due to the ring action involved. Things that happened in the pre-Walker Law days of boxing in New York, occurrences that can no longer be duplicated now that the sport is legalized in almost every part of our country, are fit subjects for "Down Memory Lane" articles.

The Donnybrook affair when Leach Cross and One Round Hogan fought at the old Fairmont A. C., Billy Gibson's Club; the Leonard-Conifrey shindig which ended in a free-for-all at the old Empire S. C.; the Cross-Frankie Madden bout at the old Clairmont Club in Brooklyn and the Harlem Tommy Murphy-Sammy Smith bout at the old Sharkey Athletic Club, were among the many contests in New York's pre-Walker Law days that furnished much besides the fight itself to receive special attention.

Let's take the Murphy-Smith fight. It was a bout that was staged under the most trying conditions and is a fine example of what took place not only in New York but throughout the country before boxing, through legislative action, became legal.

New York at the time was boxing's most popular city, with the stars from all over the world eager to appear in its clubs. Of course, everything was run on the so-called **"club membership"** plan, but all one required to gain admittance was the nod of a friend (to insure the promoter that the visitor was not a cop in disguise) and the price of the admission. And so it was on February 2, 1910 when Jim Buckley, the tough Irishman, opened his Sharkey A. C. for the Murphy-Smith battle.

No sooner were the spectators seated, than a score of bluecoats tried to break up the show. Had it not been for the husky bolts that held fast the doors of the upper floor club room, they would have succeeded. But as things turned out we were treated to a double show– a thrilling encounter between the main event contestants and one with the minions of the law, with the added attraction of a cop being hurtled through a window. Just compare the comfort one enjoys at a fight today with what hazards had to be overcome to see a ring battle in the old days.

INSPECTOR WALSH, after many attempts to close down the Sharkey Club, finally succeeded in getting one of his bluecoats into the arena and immediately after Harlem Tommy and his Philadelphia rival had entered the ring to receive their instructions from the referee, this cop leaped over the ring ropes, made a grab for Murphy, and announced the raid. But he failed to figure on the irate fans.

The plain clothes cop blew his whistle for help. His mates outside the doors pounded for admission. The crowd became unruly. Some milled around the ring bent on tearing the officer apart; others took things in stride, kept their seats but let out a roar every time the whistle blew. Suddenly, at a nod from Buckley, four of his huskies got into the ring, carried the cop to the rear, smashed the window and let the copper tumble to the adjoining roof, a drop of about ten feet.

Can one forget such scenes?

The fight got under way. Smith, a substitute for Battling Hurley who had been injured, was long on height and reach

but short on wind due to the short notice he had received for the fight, yet he put up a corking battle. He clobbered Tommy with a beautiful right to the jaw in the second that almost put an end to the bout. Tommy reeled around the ring and was lucky to survive the round.

But he came back with a vengeance in the third and fourth rounds when the claret flowed freely from the nose and mouth of Sammy who weakened under the punishment and was dropped twice, once with a left to the head and again with a hard right to the stomach. It looked like Tommy would win by a knockout, but Sammy was a tough hombre, one of the best in the days when every lightweight seemed to be a topnotch performer.

For three more rounds the infighting gave the fans plenty over which to cheer with Harlem Tommy having the better of the milling. But the New Yorker knew he was in a fight because there was no let up by his opponent. Harlem Tommy's specialty—was to be ever ready to mix it.

In the fifth and sixth rounds Smith held his own though Murphy's punches were cleaner and he had the advantage in points.

BUT in the seventh, Sammy, regaining his wind, came tearing out and smashed a beauty to Murphy's jaw flooring him. Murphy leaped up and fought furiously following that knockdown while his cohorts let loose with vociferous shouts.

Suddenly there was a pounding on the doors and Buckley leaped into the ring and announced: "The lousy cops are at it again. I ask you all to keep your seats and let's go on with the show. They can't come in."

The eighth round was hardly under way when a crash was heard at the side door and Buckley again leaped up and ordered the switch turned and all the lights out. At the same time both fighters and the referee vanished from the ring, and many of the fans tried to hide beneath the platform.

The room was in total darkness but for the light of a perfector here and there. Charley Goldman, old time fighter and trainer for Rocky Marciano, went to the aid of the referee while Harry Von Tilzer, famous song writer, Young Corbett and Kid Broad, all in one party, started to sing, "Has Anyone Here Seen Kelly."

A mighty roar went up as others took up the tune and drowned the shouts of the police outside the door. None had entered and after a few minutes, Buckley reentered the ring, ordered the lights on again, got Murphy and Smith back into the roped square and the contest was resumed.

They started the ninth round, forgetting all about the two minutes that were left of the eighth, but no one complained. All were eager to see the bout finished without any further interference.

HARLEM TOMMY was now much stronger than Sammy and throughout that round he pounded away at Sammy's body but took many hard wallops to the jaw in return. Sammy was being severely punished about the stomach but he gamely stuck it out to the finish. Had he been in condition, he might have whipped Murphy as indicated by the pummeling he handed Tommy in the rounds which the Philadelphian won.

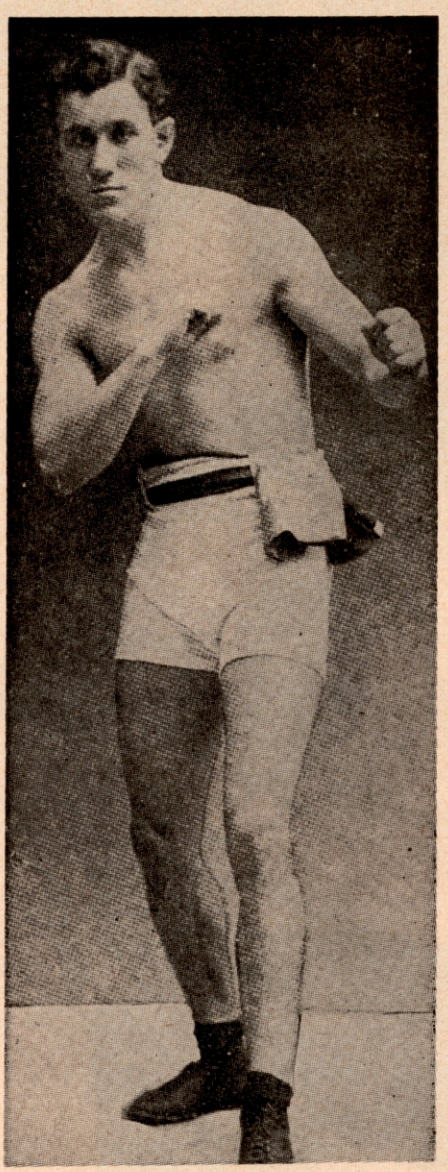
When the bout ended, there wasn't a scribe at the ringside who didn't report that Murphy had won. In those days all contests were no decision affairs and the only decisions rendered were those of the reporters. The wagering usually was on the decision of one of the writers.

The bout was thrilling in more than one way and was typical of what was almost a steady occurrence in New York City boxing. In reporting the fight, the head over one story read: **"Tin Whistle Cop bounced from Window at Sharkey A. C.; Murphy wins Despite Police."**

When the fight was over, the spectators, fearful of being arrested on their way out, remained for a short time in their seats while Buckley addressed them from the ring.

"Club members, I had a hard time matching these men and you all saw a good fight. I want you all to be more careful about bringing guests to this club on stag nights. Some dirty, lousy member must have brought that tin whistle cop here to interfere with our show.

"Well we showed him what we do with cops who have no business in here. I'm going to file a complaint with the Mayor Gaynor about this interference. We are law abiding. We pay our dues to attend our stags and the law is with us. You can all leave here without any fear. No cop will dare touch you."



Harlem Tommy Murphy as he looked the night he fought Sammy Smith at the Sharkey A.C. in a bout replete with police raids as well as outstanding action by the men in the ring.

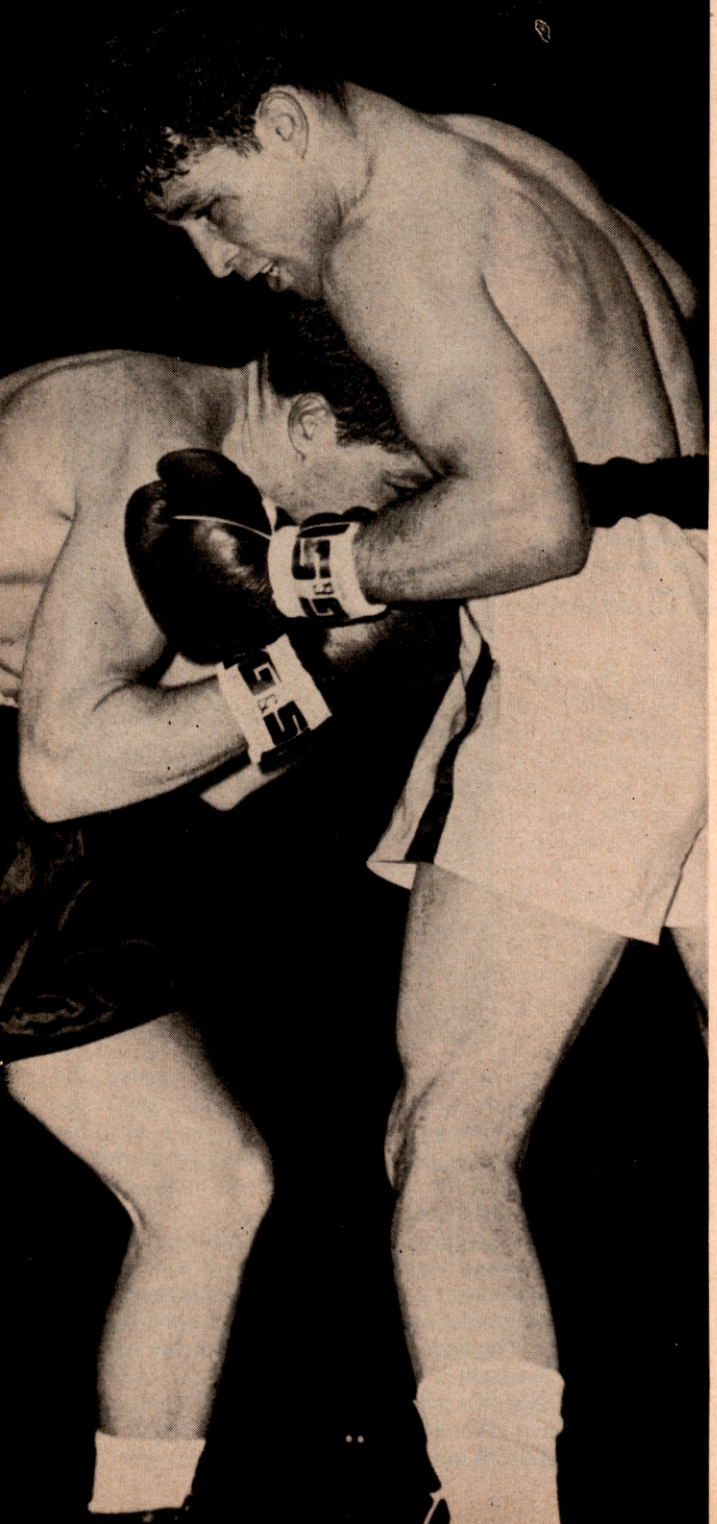
And so the matter stood. The police vacated the premises. Buckley didn't file any complaint with the Mayor. Tickets for the next show were sold and the usual sellout crowd mobbed the club despite the knowledge that at any moment the minions of the law might descend on the premises for a raid.

The fans were regulars. They never deserted Buckley despite the weekly commotion. In fact, it seemed they enjoyed the annoyance given them by the bluecoats. On occasions many arrests were made but seldom were the fans held for trial. The raids continued but so did the fights.

Thrills? Commotion? Fun?

You bet, and it's all classed under "Fights I cannot Forget". Why did the fans continue to fill the arena? Well, they expected thrills and got them.

JORGE FERNANDEZ HIS STORY



By FRED EISENSTADT

AFTER Jorge Fernandez defeated Denny Moyer, leading contender for welterweight honors in Madison Square Garden in mid-October of 1960, the Argentinian's co-manager, Jack Singer, remarked:

"Winning over two title holders—which Moyer did a short time ago, by scoring over the then welterweight king Benny Kid Paret, and whipping the present champ of that division, Emile Griffith, is quite a feat. But defeating the guy who whipped the titled pair—as Jorge has done—puts my boy in a position even higher than the champ and the ex-champ."

Singer's statement, though quite broad, contains unshakable logic. The unanimous ten-round triumph his protege scored over the skilled Portland scrapper, was a laudable achievement. And the fact that early in April of this year Fernandez repeated the win—in even more decisive manner—adds to the South American's prestige and earned him a high place in the ratings of RING Magazine.

Although Jorge boasts of an exceptionally fine record—72 victories in 78 engagements, 49 by the kayo route, he failed to gain a place in the rankings because he had never beaten a rated ringman—until he triumphed over Moyer. In fact, Fernandez had dropped two close ten-round decisions to the highly regarded Emile Griffith, who now wears the 147-pound crown.

However, the convincing manner in which the solidly-built Latin trounced Moyer, a 9-5 favorite in their first tilt, changed the fistic status of both fighters. Fernandez rose higher after whipping Moyer. He outboxed and outslugged his heavier rival, dazed him. Jorge belted Denny with solid blows throughout the bouts and almost dropped him on several occasions in each of the nationally televised boxing shows. The second scrap was held at the St. Nicholas Arena.

In each the hard-hitting Argentinian proved himself a capable fighter, able to absorb hefty wallops and come charging in with furious blows of his own. He's the type ringmen boxing fans enjoy watching in action, for he supplies plenty of it.

SINGER BUYS JORGE'S CONTRACT

Jorge Jose Fernandez was born in Buenos Aires on September 28, 1935. He's the youngest of four brothers. There are no sisters.

"My father, Jesus, a factory metal worker, died a few years ago," said the boxer who speaks very little English. *"My brother Manuel was a pretty good fighter. It was he who inspired me to become a boxer.*

"There are two things I am anxious to do. I want to

Jorge poses with his mother, Manuela, and three of his sisters-in-law and his nieces and nephews at a party to celebrate Jorge's twenty-third birthday.

Jorge with his hand on the shoulders of his former manager, Tino Porzio, at a party following one of Fernandez's triumphs in Buenos Aires.

avenge my two losses to Emile Griffith, and relieve him of the welterweight title. Then I wish to bring my mother and my sweetheart here. If they like New York, we will settle down here. My manager Jack Singer wants me to go into business with him."

Fernandez, whose home at present is in Pompeya, a suburb of Buenos Aires, had only six years of schooling. He is anxious to further his education in New York—especially to learn the English language.

Though only 25 years old, Jorge is a veritable ring veteran. He started at thirteen, with brother Manuel his teacher. He became an amateur boxer in 1949. From then on, Celastino Porzio undertook the chore of handling the youngster who won 28 of thirty contests before turning pro. Senor Porzio sold the boxer's contract to Jack Singer for $9,000 last summer.

Fernandez played football in school, and was in the Army in the Infantry Motor Corps. Jorge enjoys seeing movies and watching television. He likes dancing, horseback riding, boating and fishing, traveling and tango music. His favorite composer is Hector Berela. And he loves to eat.

"Lucky for me," grins the fighter, "that Jack Singer is part owner of the Flame Steaks Restaurant. The food is so tempting that I put away large quantities whenever I visit the place—which is almost every day."

Fernandez doesn't smoke. He drinks wine with his meals. He is deeply religious. He has never suffered a hurt in the ring.

"I have been floored only once. That was by Martiniano Pereyra, to whom I lost a 15-round bout for the South American welterweight title in August, 1957," he confesses.

EXPLAINS HIS KAYO LOSS

A few days before his first fight with Denny Moyer, John F. X. Condon, boxing public relations chief at the Garden, asked Fernandez if he is a devout Catholic. When the Argentinian replied that he was, John presented him with a religious medal, explaining in a mixture of English and Spanish, that a friend had brought the medal to him from Italy where the Pope had blessed it in Rome. Jorge accepted the gift gratefully, with fervant thanks.

"The kid honestly felt," relates Condon, "that because he had sewn in his boxing trunks a medal blessed by the Pope, it had greatly enhanced his chance of defeating Moyer, although Jorge modestly admits that his thundering fists considerably helped to bring him victory."

Whenever Fernandez is reminded of having suffered a KO by Isaac Logart in Buenos Aires, late in 1958, he becomes angry.

"That was no knockout Logart scored over me. What actually happened was that Isaac hit me low, the punch hurting me so badly that I doubled over and could not continue fighting. So the referee was forced to credit the

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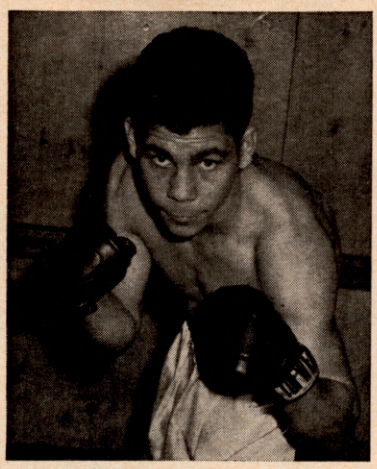
Jorge (right) with his older brother Manuel, who was a top middleweight ten years ago. He has done much to help Jorge's boxing career.

The girl he left behind. Jorge with his sweetheart, Susana Panicaricca, enjoying a Sunday in the park. Fernandez hopes to bring her to the United States in the near future.

Barney Ross, former world lightweight and welterweight champion and an ardent fan of Jorge. Ross thinks highly of Fernandez's chances.

FROM THE SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK



Estrella Cruz, aggressive young featherweight, who is one of the busiest boxers in the ring today.

By LEW ESKIN

A QUARTET of young fighters from different sectors of New York City who are making rapid strides are Lew Mosts of Queens, Tucker of Brooklyn, Gil Diaz of the Bronx and Estrella Cruz of the East Side.

Moses, a power punching light heavyweight, has been fighting as a pro only eight months but he has the fight mob talking about his terrific hitting power.

Lew, who was born in Detroit, Mich., on April 14, 1937, now makes his home in Long Island City with his wife, Florissa. Lew served four years with the Army, putting in most of the time in Japan and Hawaii. He had twenty-two amateur fights of which he won nineteen, scoring thirteen kayos.

He did not do much boxing while in service nor before since he was kept busy first in completing his high school education then as a motion picture operator. Lew had reached the grade of Sergeant when he was discharged from the Army.

He won a four round decision over Frank Davis in his first pro start and since then has run off five straight knockouts. Joe Reynolds, Ellis Lawton and Tommy Hough all went out in the first round, while Sam Edwards and Don Bailey lasted three and two respectively.

A diligent gym worker who loves the sport, Lew has the tools to go a long way in his chosen profession.

Diaz Climbing Rapidly

Diaz, a balding twenty-four year old welterweight, made his pro bow a year ago and has answered the bell ten times, winnning nine, all on decisions. A speedy, shifty boxer he has won over Kenny Bryant, Gabe Cavozos, Lou Anderson, Johnny Parks, Johnny Colon and John Blessas, his loss to Frank Sallee in his second start. He made his eight round debut by whipping Ronnie Cohen.

Diaz, one of four boys, was born in Auguillo, Puerto Rico, but has lived in the Bronx since he was a youth. He first became interested in boxing in 1957 when his brother entered him in the Golden Gloves, without Gil's knowledge, but he fooled everybody by making a fine showing.

Diaz, who resembles former middleweight champion Carl (Bobo) Olson, continued in the Gloves until he turned pro and as an amateur, won twenty of twenty-five bouts, beginning as a featherweight and growing into a 147 pounder.

Tucker, a PAL Product

Tucker, a tall, twenty-three year old sharpshooter, learned his trade in the Police Athletic League like so many of the lads from the big city. He was only seventeen when he entered the amateur ranks and was still a student at George Washington Vocational High School. By an odd twist of fate, his trainer is former heavyweight boxer George Washington.

Married and the father of John Jr., three, he has an older brother Leroy, who has been a pro lightweight since 1957. It was while watching Leroy train that Johnny decided to give boxing a try and enrolled at the Seventy-Third Precinct Center.

Johnny boxed four years in the simon-pure ranks, winning twenty-five of thirty-two bouts. He fought his way up from a lightweight to a middle. Six feet tall, he uses his long reach to advantage in the ring and has come along fast in the six months that he has been a pro.

While his job as an elevator operator has its ups and downs, to date his boxing career has been all up. Since making his debut, he has run off nine straight wins, scoring two kayos. He has beaten Walter Daniels, Don Turner, Jules Owens, Gaylor Barnes, Clarence Ryan and kayoed ex amateur champion Teddy Pagen.

Cruz Taught by Father

The last member of the group, Estrella Cruz, is the youngest, but has

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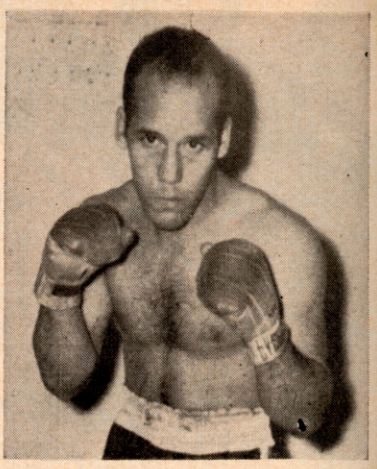
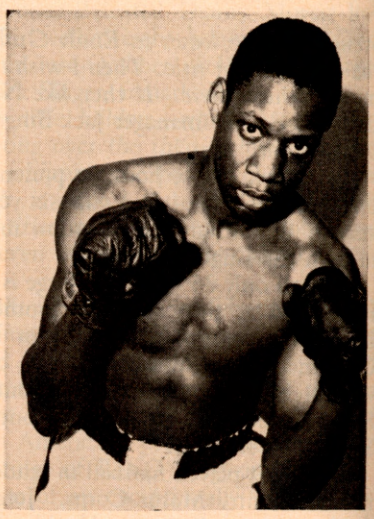
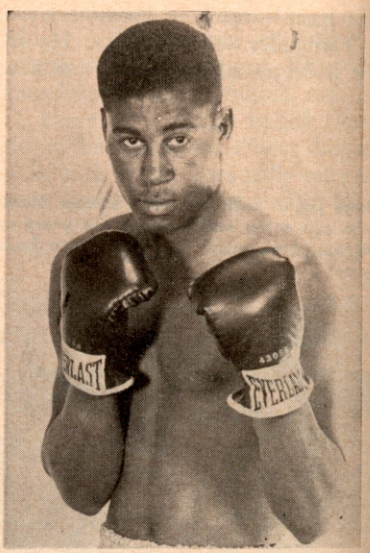


Gil Diaz, fast punching welterweight, who has an eight-bout winning streak.

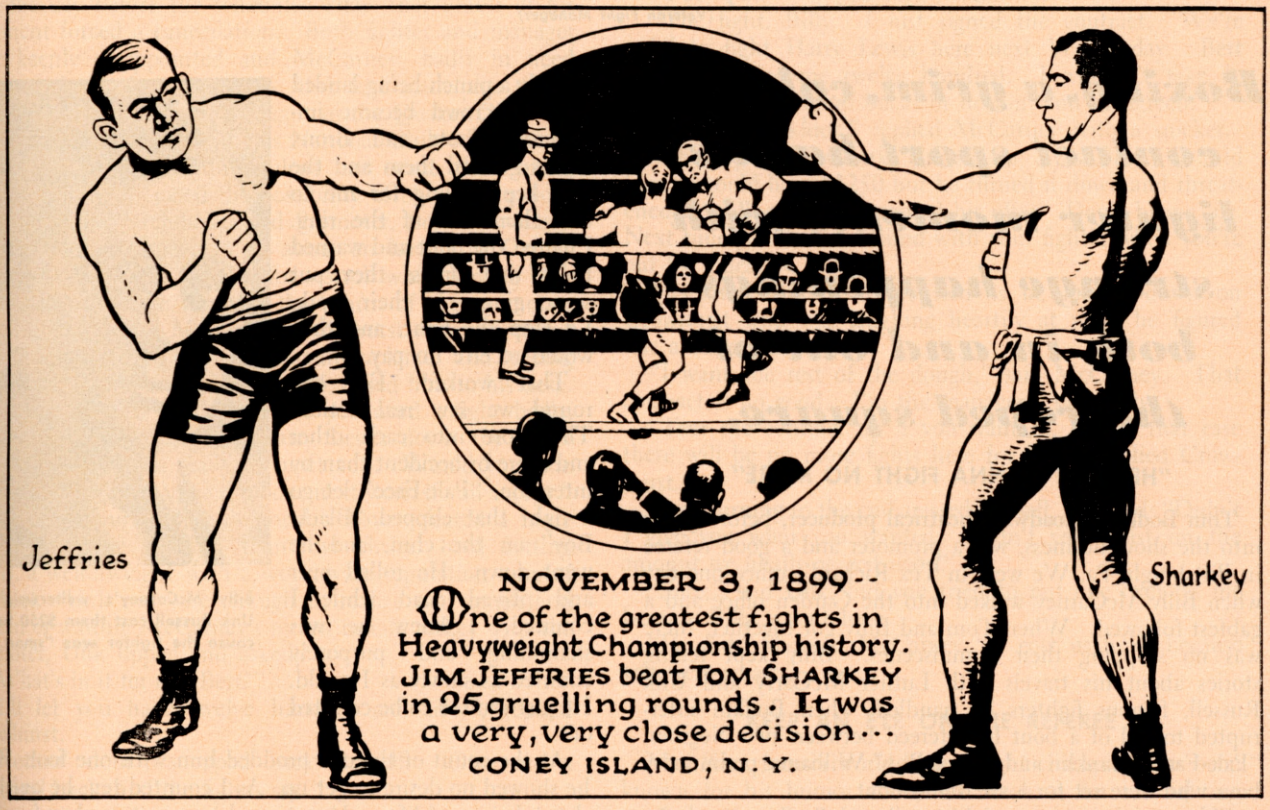


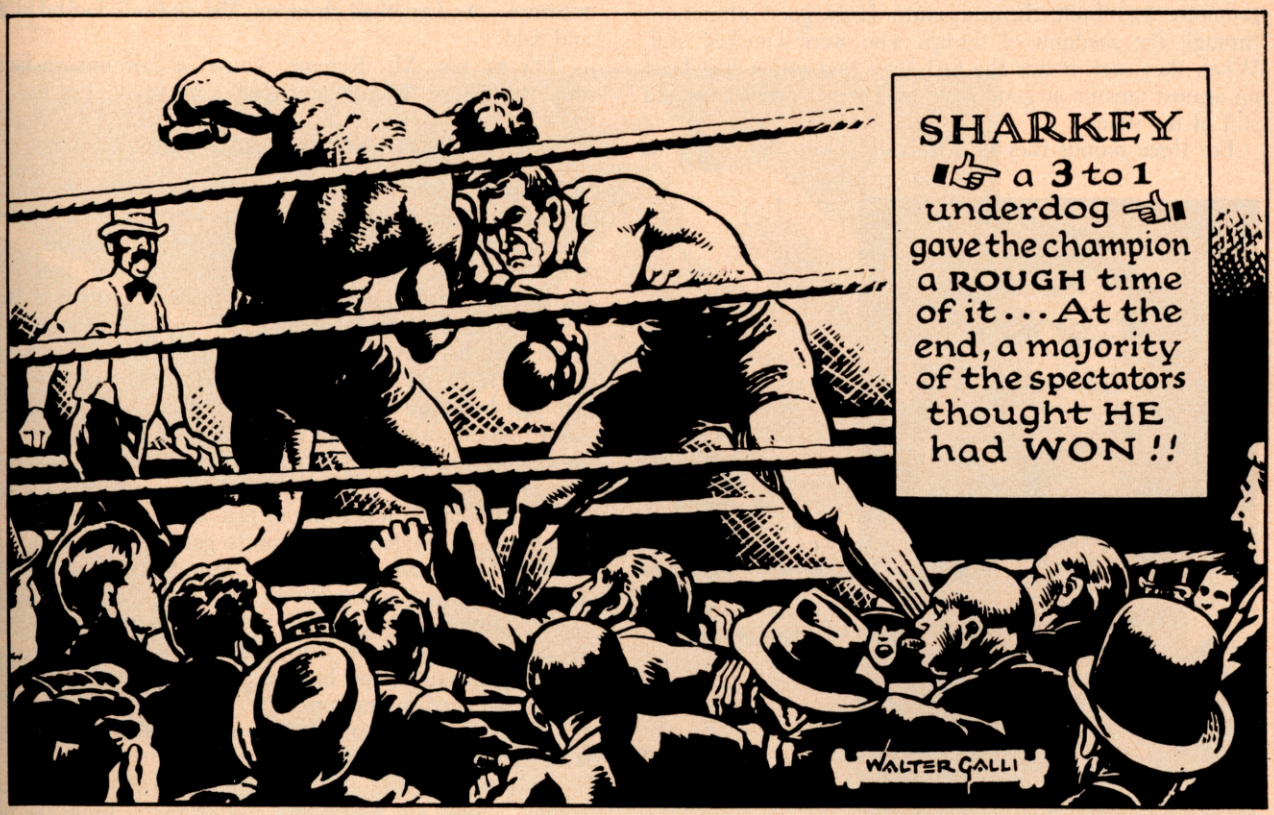
Johnny Tucker, tall middleweight, who is unbeaten in nine bouts since turning pro.



Lew Moses, undefeated light heavyweight kayo artist who has a string of six wins in a row.

A Ring Classic





Jabs and Jokes

by CHARLEY ROSE
(Veteran Fight Manager)

Boxing, a grim, colorful contact sport has its lighter moments with strange happenings both in and out of the roped square.

"HE AIN'T GONNA FIGHT NO MORE"

Tom Bodkin, Broadway theatrical producer, before going into the show business, was a promoter and a good referee in Pittsburgh, Pa. We were in Tex Rickard's office one day when Billy McCarney walked into the Garden office and a gabfest followed. When Tom and Billy got together, there was no stopping their reminiscenes. Billy kept telling stories about his travels with Luther McCarty and Unk Russell, famous fighters he handled, when Bodkin interrupted to tell of a bout he refereed between two Negroes, "Pale-Face" Franklin and "Black-Boy" Williams, preliminary boys who were set for a six round bout.

"They were pretty good hitters," said Bodkin, "and the promoter had built them up into fairly good attractions through the medium of set-ups who were knocked stiff. When they met, it was the first time that either had been up against anyone as good as himself, and each was scared stiff of the other.

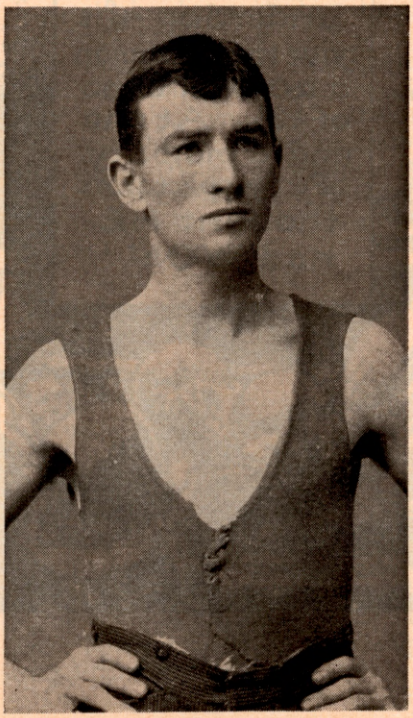
For three rounds they kept dancing about the ring with scarcely a punch being landed and the crowd became impatient. Hoots and Bronx cheers greeted them and the fans kept yelling for me to toss them out of the ring. I halted the bout and warned them that unless they put some ginger in their work, I'd stop the fight, and they would receive no pay.

That worked. For one round we saw real action. They tore into each other and more by accident than by intention, "Pale-Face" let go a right that clipped "Black-Boy" on the chin, and he went down. He rolled over and played dead while I counted. I knew he was shamming and purposely counted as slowly as I could. He just wanted to be counted out.

Billy McCarney's welterweight Unk Russell cost them $250 because the fighter was "smart."

At the count of three, I prodded him with one foot. But he showed no desire to get up. As I counted ten, he quickly showed signs of life so I continued to count in slow funeral measure. As I reached thirteen, "Black-Boy" looked at me and said:

"It's no use, Mr. Referee, Youse' is fair but yo better stop now 'cause I ain't gonna fight no moh'. I'se tru'."



Steve Brodie (left) gained lasting fame with his jump off the Brooklyn Bridge. Jim Corbett's father thought there'd be something to "holler" about if he had jumped over it.

NOTHING TO BRAG ABOUT

James J. Corbett was not only a good boxer, he was an excellent story teller, who as a monologist, kept his theatrical audiences in good humor. One story he told frequently was that of the first visit of his father to New York after Gentleman Jim had won the world heavyweight title.

Corbett Senior was taken on a tour of the Bowery and was steered by his son into Steve Brodie's saloon. Steve, following his Brooklyn Bridge jumping stunt, had become a national hero and did a thriving business. He was one of John L. Sullivan's admirers and had lost a fortune when the Boston Strong Boy was whipped by Corbett who relieved him of the crown.

Corbett's father was aware of this and it took considerable persuasion on the part of his son to get him to visit Brodie's place. When they arrived, Jim introduced Brodie to his Dad. The latter, eyeing Brodie rather sourly, looked at the bridge jumper, then remarked:

"So you're the man who went broke in New Orleans betting on that Boston brawler."

Steve laughed and responded, "yes, but you only remember me for that? The rest of the world knows me as the man who jumped off the Brooklyn Bridge."

"So you did," said the elder Corbett with a grin, sarcastically. "Sure, any damn fool can do that. From the fuss that has been made over you, I'd been thinking that you jumped over the Bridge. That would be something to holler about."

UNK "OUTSMARTED" THE PROMOTER

Billy McCarney, one of America's most renowned managers and promoters of pre Walker Law days, managed a boxer, Unk Russell who didn't fit into the category of "brainy Boxers". Unk, who lived in Philadelphia and engaged the most notable welterweights of his era, was booked by McCarney for a contest in Pittsburgh only to find the day before the scheduled affair that illness of his opponent forced a cancellation. Both fighter and manager were keenly disappointed and McCarney, badly in need of financial aid, decided to take Unk to Philadelphia to see if he could sign his boy for a fight in the Quaker City.

They appeared at the famous National Club where many of the nation's outstanding talent had made their mark, and there Billy discussed the possibility of obtaining a bout for Unk, with Matchmaker and Promoter, Bert Crowhurst. He was told to come back in about an hour. McCarney decided to go out on his own for a stroll while leaving Unk in Crowhurst's office to await the return of the promoter.

Unfortunately for McCarney, Crowhurst returned to his office sooner than had been contemplated and seeing Russell seated in a corner by himself, called him to his desk.

"Unk," he said, "Billy tells me you need a fight badly. Billy is broke. I just met Harry Lewis down the street and Harry says he is ready to meet you. Would you care to fight him? I can stage the bout next week if you accept."

Well Crowhurst couldn't possibly have selected a more finished fighting product than the clever, hard hitting Lewis, a welterweight with a world-wide reputation—one of the best. Unk was wise enough to realize that much and instead of waiting McCarney's return to talk turkey with the promoter, Unk upped and asked:

"What's in it fer me, Bert?"

"I'll let you have twelve hundred and fifty", replied Crowhurst.

"Nothin' doin", snapped back Russell. "Give me a thousand bucks and the fight's on."

Crowhurst, with a gracious smile, quickly responded: "O.K. Unk, you've got a fight for next Wednesday. We won't have to wait for Billy's return. Here's the contract. Just sign your name and I'll tell Billy that the fight's on."

Russell signed, then waited as he had been told to by McCarney, for his manager's return. As Billy walked into the office again, up jumped Russell from his chair like a kid after a piece of candy, and fairly shouted, "well Billy, we've got it. We've got it."

"Got what," snapped back McCarney.

"The fight, Billy. I just signed the contract. We're goin' to fight Harry Lewis here next Wednesday. Bert wanted to give me twelve hundred. I wouldn't take it. I told him a thousand bucks or nothin' and he agreed.

"You dumb kluck," replied McCarney with a snicker.

Whereupon Crowhurst chirped in, "yes Billy. I told him he could have $1250 but he turned it down and threatened to walk out so I accepted his offer. Don't blame me. Next time you'll stick around with your fighter when you're out for a deal."

McCarney was fit to be tied as he looked down on Crowhurst who was laughing heartily at what he figured was a huge joke.

"I want the rest of the dough," said McCarney. That contract is no good. I'm the manager," said Billy.

"Tear the contract up if you want to, but in that case there will be no more fights here for Unk," replied Crowhurst.

Then turning to the embarassed Russell, he asked: "Didn't I give you what you wanted. Didn't you insist on the amount we finally agreed upon?"

"Sure," said Unk, but you tried to put one over on me because Billy wasn't here.

"He did," shouted McCarney. "It cost us $250 because you were smart."

KEEP AN EYE ON THE REFEREE

Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, has been known for his humor almost as much as for his fighting qualities. As a master of ceremonies in nightclubs, on his

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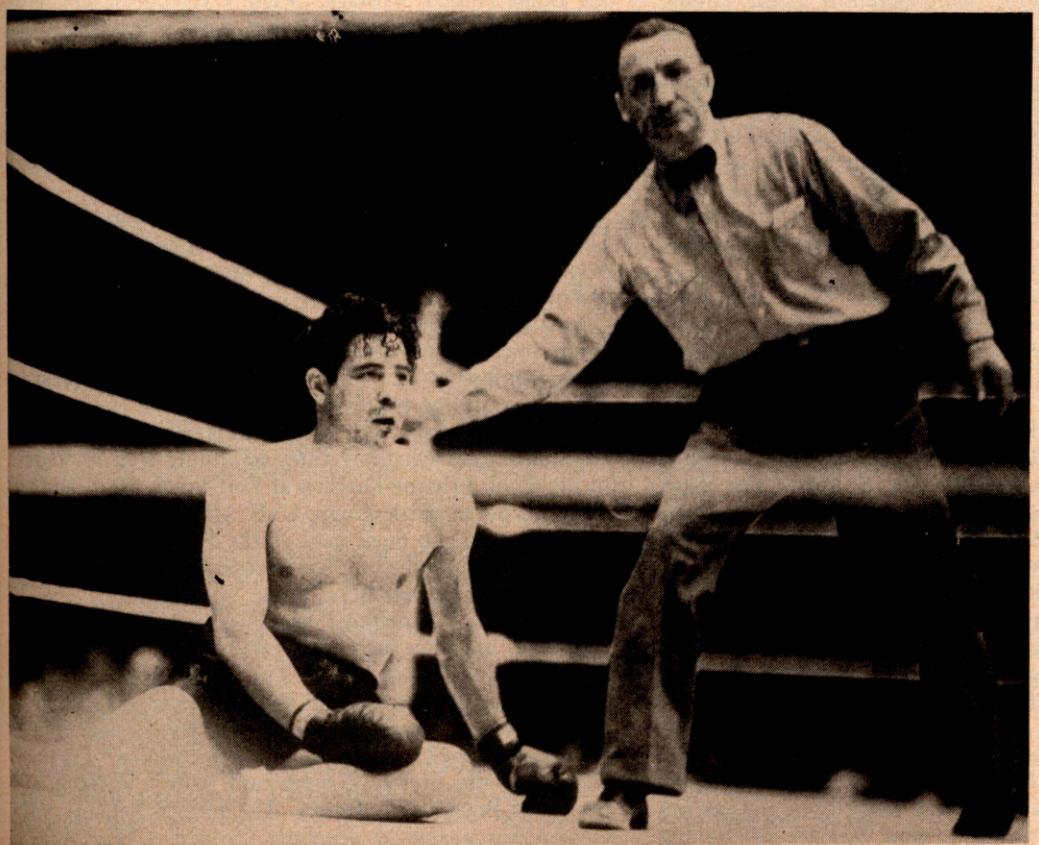


Max Baer, getting the worst of it in his fight with Joe Louis, told manager Ancil Hoffman to keep an eye on the referee (Art Donovan) "because somebody is knocking the hell out of me."

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By JOHNNY ORT

FORT CAMPBELL, KY.

LEATHER flew at the sports arena as 28 contenders for All-Army Championship crowns began the first round of the three day eliminations.

Featured bout of the evening was a return match between Fort Campbell's heavyweight twins, Elmer Rush and James Johnson. Johnson decisioned Rush after twice sending last year's All-Army Champ to the canvas in the second and third rounds.

The shorter, stockier Johnson overcame Rush's height advantage with dazzling speed and some fancy footwork. Rush, who defeated Johnson in last year's All-Army competition, was not able to unleash the right hand bombs that made him the scourge of service boxing in 1960 and 1961.

In the flyweight division, Fort Campbell's Robert "Moose" Carmody met Sherridale Morgan of Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., in a three round display of touch-and-go sparring. Carmody decisioned Morgan.

In another flyweight bout Gil Yanez of Fort Bragg, N. C., fought Dave Bryan of the 503rd Airborne Battle Group, Okinawa. Yanez outpointed the Okinawa counter-punching artist with steaming, long right hands and sharp jabbing.

In the bantamweight class, Fort Campbell's Johnny Joiner sent Thomas Lutge of Fort Ord, Calif., reeling around the ring for three rounds to defeat the Fort Ord fighter on points. Joiner scored repeatedly on a hard-hitting right hand.

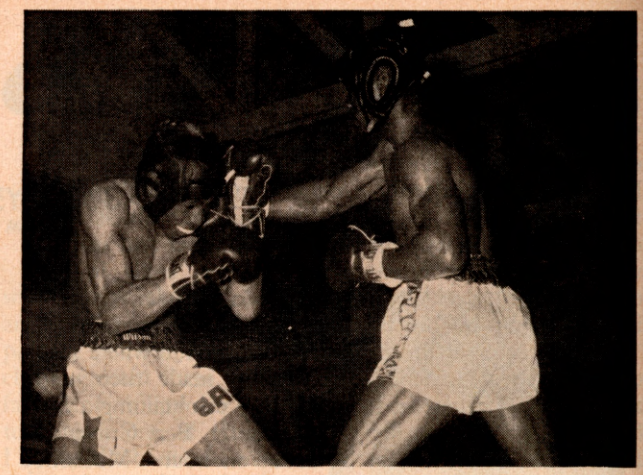
Fort Bragg's bantamweight, Johnny Guy, yielded a decision to Placers Abeyta of the Third Armored Division, Germany, in the final bantamweight bout.

Featherweights Henry Aaron of Fort Bragg and Dave Harris of Fort Campbell clashed next, with Aaron's classic style earning a decision win over southpaw, Harris. Aaron out-paced Harris from the opening bell with a sharp punching attack that off-set some potentially dangerous right upper-cuts thrown by Harris.

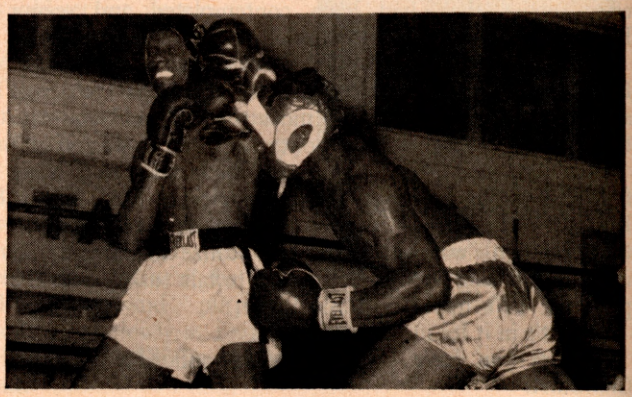
Fort Campbell's lightweight Prentiss McGlory turned in a losing performance against James Grant of the 504th Airborne Infantry, Germany, in match number six. Grant decisioned last year's All-Army Lightweight Champion in one of the major upset victories of the evening.

James King, Fort Campbell's welterweight hopeful, paired off with Campbell's Ray Owens in a "Pier Six" bout from which counter-puncher Owens emerged with a decision, while welterweights Leon Hall of Fort Benning, Ga., and Talliferro McTeer of Co. Z, France, came close to the Owens-King slugfest. McTeer's brawling style garnered him a decision over one-time all-Army Welter Champ Hall.

Light middleweight Ruddy Stringer of Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Dick Vigil of Fort Bragg came out on top in the Light Middle Division, with Stringer decisioning Daniel Pinkney of Fort Carson, Colo., and Vigil outpointing Eddie Hunter of Bragg. Vigil, a veteran of only seven amateur fights, decisioned Hunter with a head-on assault that went the distance.



Jim Richardson, Fuchu AS, connects with a right to the jaw of David Patterson, Shilling AFB, Kansas. Richardson won this lightweight bout held at Hamilton AFB, California.



Gerald McClure, Lackland AFB, Texas, blocks a right thrown by Hamilton AFB's Fred Lewis. Lewis 1960 Air Force Champ, won this Lightheavyweight bout staged at Hamilton AFB, California.

Middleweight William Parks of Fort Bragg copped the honors in the 165-pound class with a decision triumph over Fort Campbell's Alvin Brown. Parks out-classed Brown with a fast moving body attack and some well aimed head shots.

Gene Strahan of Fort Bragg and John Johnson of Fort Ord controlled the light heavyweight class with decisions over Esker Harris of Fort Sam Houston and Willie Carter of Fort Campbell.

In a more recent boxing program at Fort Campbell the paratroopers came in feet first on top of their non-jumping army cousins in the 1961 All-Army Boxing elimination finals by capturing ten of the weight division crowns.

Seven winner are with Fort Campbell's 101st Airborne Division. The remaining three title were won by soldiers of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N. C. and the 504th Airborne Battle group, U. S. Army Europe.

Featured in the finals card at the Fort Campbell sports Arena were Campbell's Heavyweight James Johnson and David Napper of Fort Bliss, Texas.

Johnson, a 208 pounder maneuvered Napper, his taller opponent, to garner the decision with sledge hammer blows to the head and body of the Texas heavyweight. One of Johnson's crashing overhand rights dropped Napper for a mandatory nine count midway in the third round.

Fort Campbell's flyweight, Robert "Moose" Carmody kicked off the evening's fight card with a decision win over Fort Bragg's Gil Yanez. The former National AAU Champ was unable to penetrate Carmody's "Peek-A-Boo"

defense and lost the decision.

Johnny Joiner, Fort Campbell bantamweight, retained his 1960 All-Army Championship by outpointing Placers Abeyta of U. S. Army Europe. Joiner's head-on assault against Abeyta proved too much for the U. S. Army European Champion.

A sneaking right by Eli Dorch of Fort Amador, Canal Zone, temporarily downed Fort Bragg's Hank Aaron in the third round of the featherweight match, but the seasoned Aaron regained his feet and won a decision.

In a toe-to-toe battle, James Grant of the 504th Airborne Infantry, U. S. Army Europe, received the judges' nod over I. S. Norris of Fort Carson, Co. O in the lightweight contest.

Jimmy Carter, Fort Campbell, walked off with the All-Army Light-Welterweight laurels by outpointing Jimmy Scates of Fort Bragg. Carter's leaping hooks overwhelmed Scates counterpunching.

Fort Campbell's welterweight, Ray Owens decisioned Telliferro McTeer of U. S. Army, Europe, with a smooth counter-punching technique. He had McTeer bleeding from the nose and mouth at the closing bell.

Carlton Brooks of Fort Campbell and William Parks of Fort Bragg copped championship honors in the light-middle and middleweight classes with Books decisioning Ruddy Stringer of Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Parks defeating Sam Houston's middleweight, Paul Lenoir.

Fort Campbell's surprise package, novice light heavyweight Gerald Pate, followed up his previous elimination defeat of favored John Johnson of Fort Ord, Calif., by decisioning veteran Fort Bragg slugger, Gene Trahan, giving the 1961 All-Army Lightheavy title to newcomer Pate.

The Johnson-Napper heavyweight match concluded the 1961 All-Army elimination finals.

The ten winners of the program will represent the Army in the Interservices matches to be held at Hamilton Air Force Base, Calif.

HAMILTON AFB, CALIF.

One of the most successful of the Air Force World Wide boxing tournaments was staged at the Hamilton Air Force Base.

The top boxers from 11 Major Air Commands of the United States Air Force turned up with their trainers, managers and coaches for the Tenth Annual Classic, all confident of taking one of the ten titles at stake. The majority of these boys have impressive won-lost records to their credit and all are their respective Command champions. Many are current Golden Gloves champions from various sections of the United States and many are veteran Air Force campaigners.

Each night of the tuornament had many thrilling moments and disappointments when topnotch fighters like Ralph McCoy of Hamilton AFB California, ADC, and Samuel Dancy of Larson AFB, Washington, SAC, met in their bout. These boys slugged it out for the entire three rounds in what was probably the fight of the tournament, and certainly the best bout of the opening night's card. McCloy, the winner, went on to defeat Kenneth Suhovsky, Bolling AFB, D. C., UNICOM, and last year's champion in another tough one. McCoy finally took the crown with a TKO over Bill McMullen of Wake AF Station PacAf.

Another sensational fight was between Alfredo Pena of Hamilton, and a comparative newcomer to boxing circles, as he battled it out with AF veteran boxer Willie Thomas of Lackland AFB, Texas, and 1957-58 champion. The result of this featherweight match was anybody's guess until the judges made it final by awarding a split decision to Thomas. Thomas went on to win the 1961 title.

Of the 59 bouts on the five-day card, 16 were won by the KO route, 41 by decision and 2 by default.

Leading the entrants with full teams of ten men were Air Training Command, Strategic Air Command and Pacific Air Forces. Air Defense Command and the Military Air Transport Service entered nine, and the Unified Command and Tactical Air Command had eight. The United States Air Forces, Europe, entered two while the Alaskan Air Command, Air Material Command and the Air Research and Development Command entered one each.

The Air Defense Command took top honors as welterweight Ralph McCoy; light middleweight Dean Harrison, and light heavyweight Fred Lewis, all of Hamilton AFB, took the crowns in their respective weight divisions.

John Cereghin, bantamweight, and Louis Reynolds, heavyweight, both of Bolling AFB, took their titles for the Unified Command. Air Training Command also had two winners in St. Welter Quincey Daniels and featherweight Willie Thomas, both of Lackland AFB, Texas.

Strategic Air Command's Thomas Mathis, Dow AFB, Maine, flyweight; Jim Richardson, Fuchu AS, Japan, PacAF, lightweight; and Chico Brown, Donaldson AFB, S. C., Military Air Transport Command, garnered the other crowns.

Teamwise, the UNICOM boys won with 30 points, ADC had 24; PacAF 22; ATC 18; SAC 16; MATS 13; USAFE 3; AAC 1; AMC 0; TAC 1, and ARDC 0.

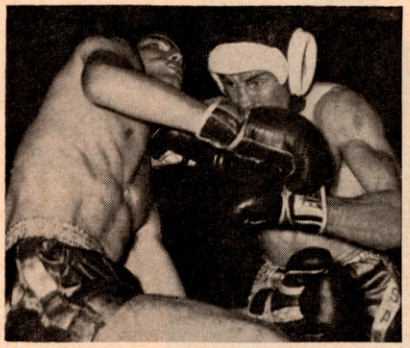
The winners and runners-up and other selected boxers competed at Hamilton AFB, in the World-Wide Interservice Tournament, the results of which will appear in the next issue.

T/Sgt Robert Fratterolli, Bolling AFB Boxing team, accepts the team championship trophy from Col. Reet Smith, Deputy Commander for the Services, at the All-Air-Force World-Wide Boxing Tournament, held at Hamilton AFB, California.

MAINZ, GERMANY

Eight pint-size invaders pulled a surprise attack at the Mainz Service Club, home of the 8th Division Airborne. Weapons of the attacking force were not rifles, but 16 ounce gloves. They didn't wear crash helmets, but boxing helmets. The invaders, ranging from 7 to 12 years of age are members of the Zweibruecken Mosquito Kiddie Boxing Team.

Present at the serivce club were members of the "Mainz Troopers" boxing team of the 8th Division Airborne.



Dean Harrison, Hamilton AFB, California, puts the finishing touch on the buckling Martin Bergewaki, Charleston AFB, as he won the bout and the crown in the first round of their light-middleweight fight, staged at Hamilton AFB, California.

Clinton Thomas, age 7, his opponent John Lynch, also age 7, opened the five bout match. Johnny Lynch scored two knock-downs in the first round.

In the second bout Junior "Tiger" Bordowitz faced Dennis "Terror" Regan. Each is 8 years old. They brought the fans to their feet as they slugged toe-to-toe.

Card Waddle and Mike Regan fought a good draw. Louis Ferguson and Terry Riddle tore into each other from the opening of the bell in the final exciting bout.

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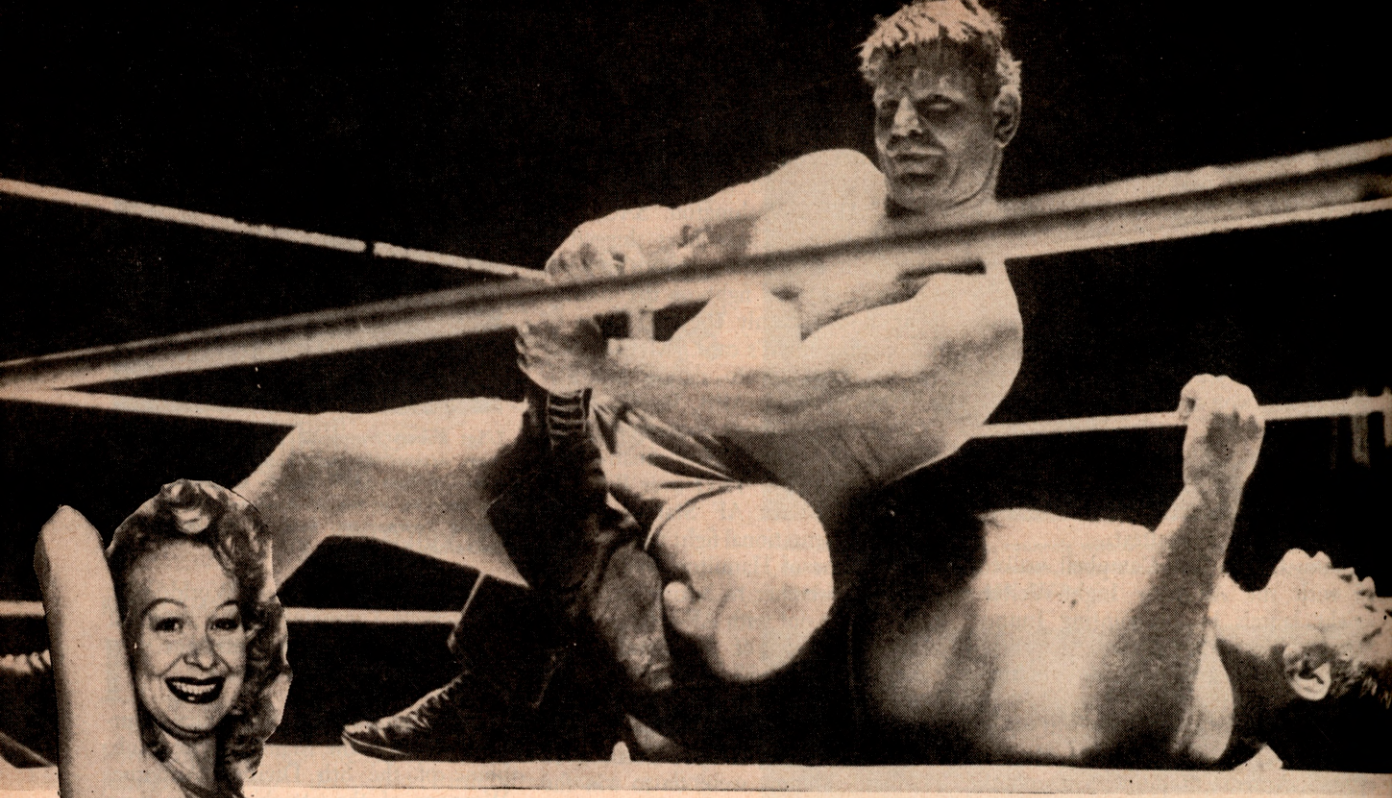
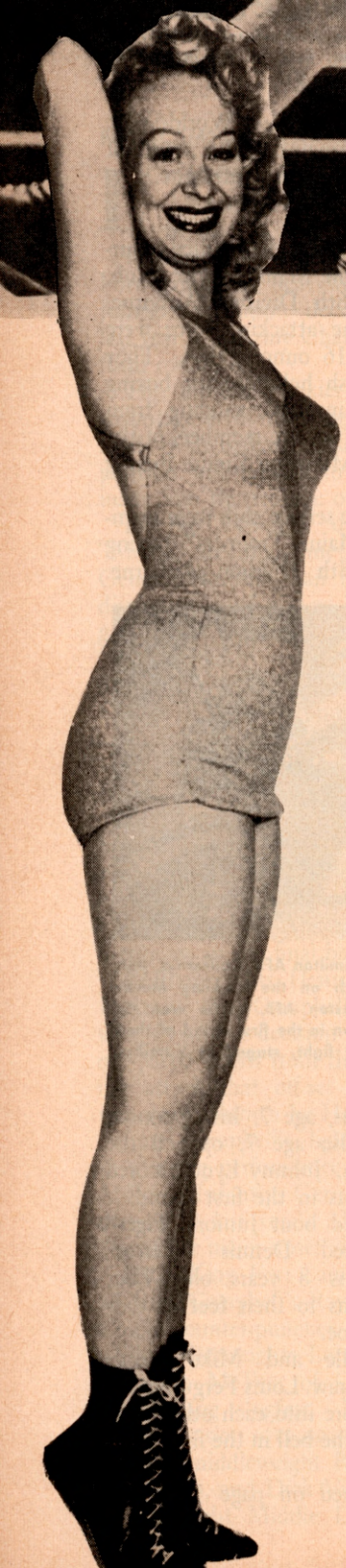




Left: Ellen Olsen, a popular glamor puss who wrestles with the best and has a wonderful disposition outside of the ring. Next to her is a newcomer to the bit of the rugged tramp grappler, Jolly Charley, who has been wowing them with his antics in Texas. Above: Count Billy Varga seen successfully defending his American heavyweight crown in match with Dick Hutton.

THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

WE have been jammed in this corner by correspondence from all corners of the globe with matters pertaining to fan clubs. Lacking space to cover everything, we are going to list the new clubs received in this issue and will give additional info in future editions.

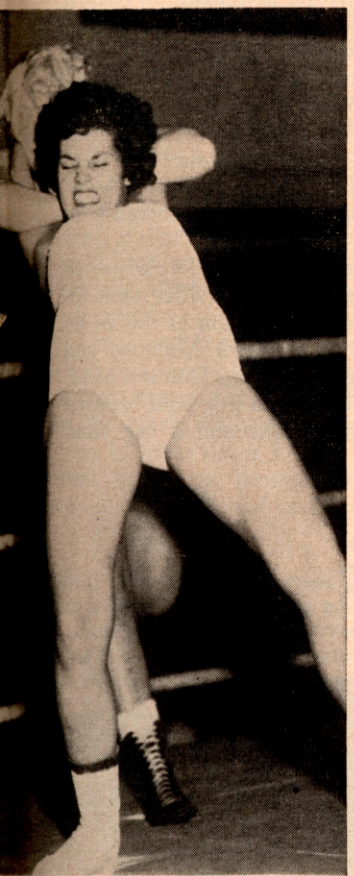
A letter from Dotho Moss acquaints us with the fact that with Larry Matysik, the twosome have an fc for John Paul Henning. Those interested may write to 204 South 11th Street, Belleville, Illinois.

Fay Caudle of 814½ Inskip Drive, Knoxville 18, Tenn., informs that she has begun an fc for that southern favorite Lester Welch. Johnny Valentine has given permission to Virginia Phister to organize a club on his behalf . . . write to Virginia at 38 Longview Ave., Dover, New Jersey. This club, so we are told, will take the place of the former Valentine International run by James Morrison.

Rick McKim and John MacKinnon have a new idea with a club called, "The Villains Fan Club". Further particulars can be obtained by writing to these gentlemen at 23 Governor's Road, Toronto 5, Ontario, Canada.

Marilea Niedzinl of Berlin, Mass., has a new fc for a newcomer from Montreal, Canada, Pat Patterson. Vittorio Apollo has given his full consent to Miss Pat Fazio for a Universal Club in his honor. The gal's address is: 69 N. Penataquit Ave., Bay Shore, New York.

Ed and Mike Sharpe, a brother combination that started out on the Pacific Coast and is now doing a superb job in Texas where they hold a version of that state's heavyweight crown.



Ethel Brown doing her best to break away from, the blonde destroyer, Cathy Branch in Texas bout that was action all the way. Miss Branch won with a body press after a tough tussle. (Photo by Bob Utter)

That busy gal Vi Reuther states that her club for the Bavarian Boys is being temporarily disabled because one of the lads has a broken leg and they have returned to Germany. Vi has added to her work by starting a new club, this one for Fran Gravette. Vi can be contacted at 55 Homestead Place, New Rochelle, New York.

Kevin O'Brien has organized an fc for Miguel Perez and can be reached by writing him at 239 Beach 73rd Street, Arverne 92, New York. Charles Pardew has an fc for John and Chris Tolos. Address your mail to Charles at 965 North Healing, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Pete Sanches International fc has been organized by Margaret Bowman of 417 Morgan Ave., Brooklyn 11, New York.

WORLD RATINGS OF WRESTLERS

Men	Women
1: "Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers	1: The Fabulous Moolah
2: Pat O'Connor	2: June Byers
3: Bearcat Wright	3: Rita Cortez
4: Killer Kowalski	4: Penny Banner
5: Johnny Valentine	5: Lorraine Johnson
6: Edward Carpentier	6: Nell Stewart
7: Gene Kiniski	7: June Grable
8: Don Eagle	8: Betsy Ross
9: Fred Blassie	9: Kathy Starr
10: Cowboy Bob Ellis	10: Fran Gravette

Tag Team

1: The Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan)
2: Bearcat Wright and Bobo Brazil
3: Ben and Mike Sharpe
4: Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski
5: Mark Lewin and Don Curtis
6: George Becker and Sandy Scott
7: The Smith Brothers
8: Lou and Red Bastien
9: John and Chris Tolos
10: The Torres Brothers

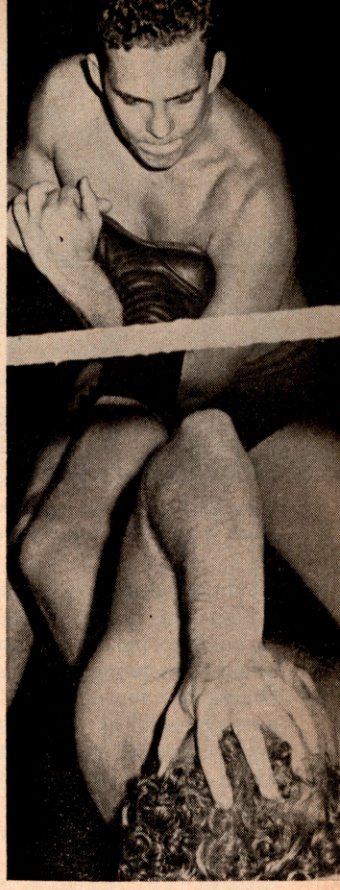
THE NEW ERA IN BOSTON WRESTLING

Through the early and middle 1950's wrestling in Boston had its ups and downs, mostly downs. Occasionally a certain match would bring in a good crowd, but no promoter could constantly produce bouts which could attract Boston's sports fans.

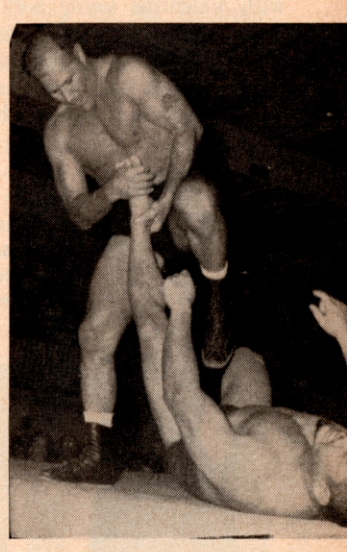
Then in May of 1958, through the combined efforts of Paul Bowser, John Doyle, and Eddie Quinn the new era in wrestling came to Boston. Their key to success was a one and one-half hour wrestling show each Saturday afternoon on television. The main attraction of these bouts was "Killer" Kowalski. On the very first show he took on, and demolished, in rapid succession Bearcat Wright, Larry Moquin, and Tarzan Zorro. These impressive victories earned Kowalski a shot at Ed Carpertier, who had recently defeated Lou Thesz to win the heavyweight championship. The "Killer", went on to win the match and become one of the most magnetic personalities in Boston's sports history.

His controversial claw hold and deadly carotid clutch brought thousands of letters of protest from irate fans into the television studio, and thousands of rabid wrestling fans into the Boston Garden with the hope of seeing Kowalski defeated. Almost every outstanding wrestler in America tried to fulfill the fan's wishes, but not a single one succeeded. Among those who failed are: Pat O'Connor (3 times), Vern Gagne, Dick the Bruiser, Yukon Eric (twice), Enrique Torres, Bill Miller (twice), Frank Scarpa (3 times), Don Leo Jonathan, Antonino Rocca, Pepper Gomez (twice), and Lou Thesz (twice).

During this period Boston Garden (capacity 13,909) was sold out on more than one occasion, and crowds of over 10,000 were not unusual, but by August of 1959 inter-



Dick Steinborn has Red Lyons in a bind as this photo is snapped. The nip and tuck battle held in Virginia ended when the old pro, Steinborn, went from a toe hold to a crab and victory.



Ray Villmer utilizes toe hold to weaken Tosh Togo in Park Center Arena, Charlotte, North Carolina. Villmer, a southern favorite, took the match with a leg split and body press.

Antonino Rocca, a top man in wrestling for over a decade and one of Argentina's sport celebrities devotes a lot of his spare time working with youth in New York City. Here he is seen teaching some of his fans the health developing sport of body building and wrestling.

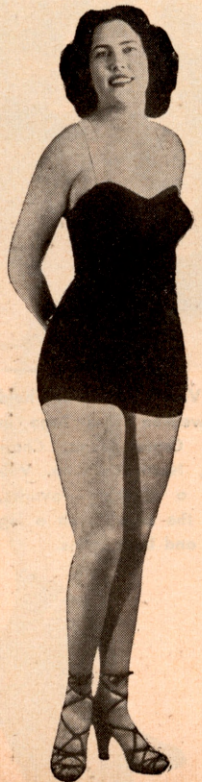
est dwindled slightly so the riotous tag team of Dick the Bruiser and Reggie, "Krusher", Lisowski were brought in to headline the garden cards. In spite of continued fan interest, the promoters decided to head for greener pastures. During the winter months of 1959-1960 the new era hit a small roadblock. Only three bouts of importance were held: a contest between Pat O'Connor and Dick the Bruiser which ended in a draw, a title bout between "Killer" Kowalski and Pepper Gomez, and a return bout between the two which was won by Kowalski.

In April of 1960 Eddie Quinn set up shop with a bout between TV champion Johnny Valentine and "Killer" Kowalski. This was the closest Kowalski ever came to being defeated. Valentine started slow, but came on to win the second fall and was in the process of wiping the mat up with Kowalski when referee Jack Sharkey called a halt to the proceedings because Valentine refused to obey the rules, something Kowalski makes a habit of—and he has been disqualified only once! These two met twice more with Valentine losing both of the contests. These three bouts were without a doubt the finest during the new era.

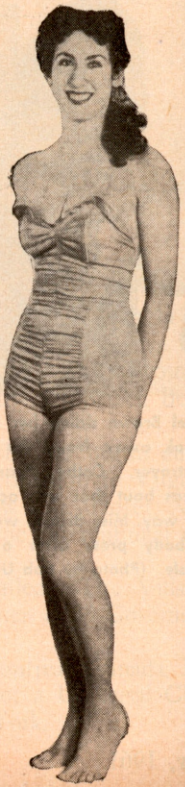
Quinn also presented an Indian death match between Kowalski and East Boston's own Frank Scarpa and a sensational tag team bout which pitted Lou Thesz and Edouard Carpentier against Hans Schmidt and Kowalski. Over at the arena two old foes, "Killer" Kowalski and Argentina battled to a draw, as did Lou Thesz and Bobby Manganoff. Haystack Calhoun, 601 pound giant from Arkansas, lost an exciting bout to Kowalski.

Tony Santos and Johnny Doyle teamed up to present a series of cards in the fall. Using the method which brought him success in 1958 and 1959, Doyle presented "Wrestling Workouts" every Sunday on television. Mixing a blend of old favorites and exciting newcomers Doyle and Santos staged some outstanding bouts. Some of the better of these were: Pat O'Connor vs. Pepper Gomez, Jerry Graham, and Johnny Valentine; "Killer" Kowalski vs. Yukon Eric, Argentina Rocca, and Gomez; Dick the Bruiser vs. Vern Gagne, Rocca, and Gomez; and a tag team featuring "Cowboy" Bob Ellis and Rocca against the Miller brothers, "Dandy Dan" and "Big Bill".

At the start of the 1961 season Johnny Doyle moved out and New York wrestling promoter Jack Pfer took his place, while Abe Ford started action up again at the arena. On one garden card the team of Haystack Muldoon and Bearcat Wright upset the Gallagher brothers, Doc and Mike. As we go to press the garden will feature a title bout between "Killer" Kowalski and Bearcat Wright and a tag team



If you like your wrestlers on the pretty side cast your discerning eye over Miss Ann Stanley, far left and Miss Adela Antone, far right, in between we see Indiana Inspector Roy Rodgers giving instructions to Terese Theis, left, and Mars Bennett, before exciting match which ended with Miss Bennett the handy winner.



match with Dick the Bruiser and Bull Montana facing Haystack Muldoon and Argentina Rocca. The most recent arena card saw the fabulous Kangaroos defeat the team of Bobby Manganoff and former heavyweight boxing champion, Primo Carnera.

Boston's wrestling future looks rosy with two different promoters working in the hub at the same time. Although they are making enough money to pay the bills, neither has had a full house as yet. A very possible solution for bringing attendance back to the 1958-1959 level would be a pooling of talents and the starting up of a new wrestling show on television. This could well lead to the return of capacity crowds at the garden and even a match in Fenway Park this summer between Pat O'Connor and "Killer" Kowalski.

EASTERN ACTION AND NEWS

By Earle Yetter

From time immemorial, the sport of wrestling has had an intriguing effect upon athletes of all countries the world over. There seems to be something magic about the sport as it was even accepted in the B. C. era.

In the tombs of the Pharoahs buried beneath the Sphinx in Egypt can be found hieroglyphics on the walls depicting two strong athletes trying to throw one another to the stony ground. The figures are interpreted as being wrestlers.

And so it goes. The history of wrestling has a tradition of three thousand years in back of it. Today, promising athletes have a distinct desire to try their prowess on the wrestling mat.

Only one example of this overwhelming power of a sport upon athletes is the case of Lou Thesz, who held the world heavyweight championship on five occasions and who, last year, tried to retire from the mat and live among his memories.

Thesz had purchased a beautiful ranch in San Diego, California, on which he fully intended to retire to the life of a gentleman cattle breeder. As he went about his chores on the ranch, he became edgy and irritable. He couldn't seem to settle down to this life on the ranch. As weeks went by, Thesz became more morose and restless and he decided one night to do something about the situation. Just what was causing this forlorn feeling? Actually, it was the sport of wrestling calling Thesz back to the scene of action. So, three months ago, one of the greatest champions in the history of the mat, announced that he was making a comeback. He was returning to the acclaim of the crowd, to the applause which greets a solemn triumph. Thesz was back where he belonged, wrestling once more.

In an interview with Thesz a short time ago the writer said to Lou, . . . *"how does it feel to be back in the swim once more?"*

"Just great, I love it," replied Lou.

Each year the Erie Club, a prominent Police Department Social and Benevolent Association, sponsors an annual Funorama Extravaganza in Buffalo's Civic Stadium. So fantastically successful have been the wrestling programs under the guidance of Promoter Pedro Martinez that the committee of this year's show has prevailed upon Promoter Martinez to assist the committee on arrangements. The result has been that wrestling will be the piece de resistance on the Funorama program this year. Even now, Promoter Martinez is booking some of the greatest attractions it is possible to sign.

Continuing his sensational wrestling in the East, is young Miguel Perez, the Puerto Rican star, who, on a half dozen occasions has filled Madison Square Garden, with Antonino Rocca as his partner, in tag matches. Young Miguel has run up a consecutive string of 17 victories since coming to the Queen City of the Lakes, Buffalo, N. Y. His victories have not been so-called set-ups as he numbers such stalwarts as Mike Valentino, Larry Moquin, Wild Bill Austin, Angelo Savoldi, Ramon Lopez and Frank Valois among his victims. Five years ago, it was Bearcat Wright, who had a record of 18 straight victories in Buffalo, and it looks as though Perez will break this record in the near future.

Among the newcomers in the East is Gene (Daddy) Lipscomb, who is a defensive tackler on the Baltimore Colts National League Football Team during the fall season and then takes up wrestling during the off season. He is making his debut in New York and Ohio arenas. Lipscomb relies on his vaunted "Bearhug" to return him victorious and he has defeated all opponents with the use of that hold. Lipscomb does not use the rough routines

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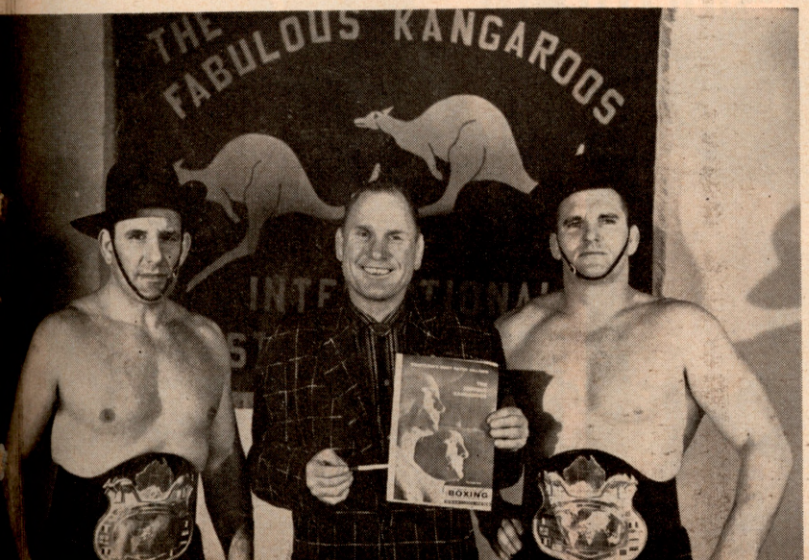
Below: those glorious Australians, Al Costello, left, and Roy Heffernan, right, with their manager, former wrestling great Red Berry, one of the games most loquacious personalities. The Kagaroos, as the team is known, is making box office history in the New York area. Right: Cowboy Bob Ellis, flanked by trophies he has won and the expensive suitcase he received from his adoring fan club.



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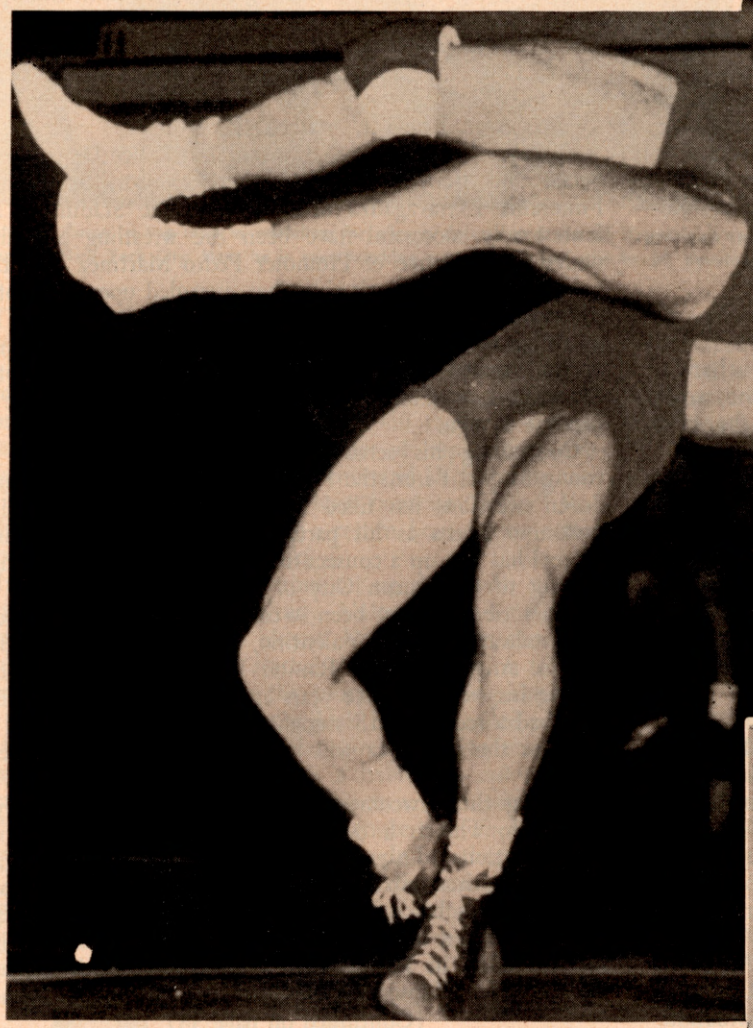
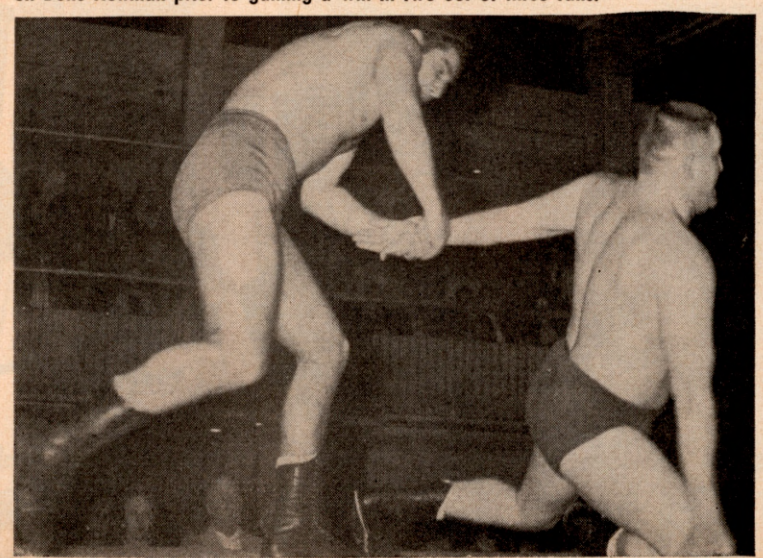
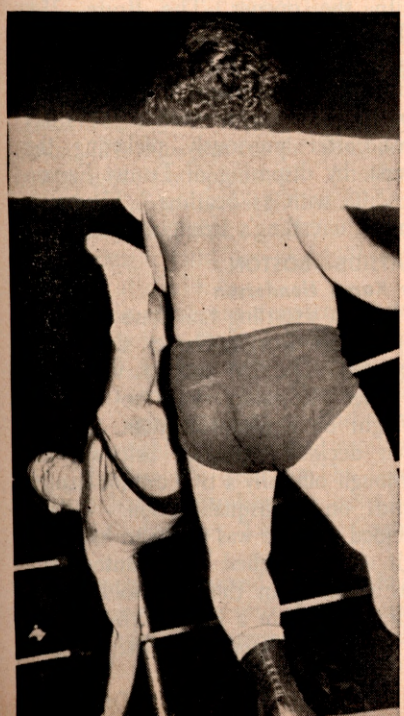


Above: Shelby Wilson of Ponca City, Oklahoma, lifting Ben Northrup of San Francisco into the air before throwing him to the floor for point which won him an Olympic berth in the 147.5 pound class, Greco-Roman. Right: Doug Blubaugh, a soldier stationed at West Point, gets grip on Phil Kinyon, an Oklahoma student. Seconds later they both crashed to the mat with Blubough on top for a take down that gave him a 1-0 decision and a berth on the 160 pound class of the U. S. wrestling team. Below: Steve Bolus uses a wrist twist on Duke Hoffman prior to gaining a win in two out of three falls.



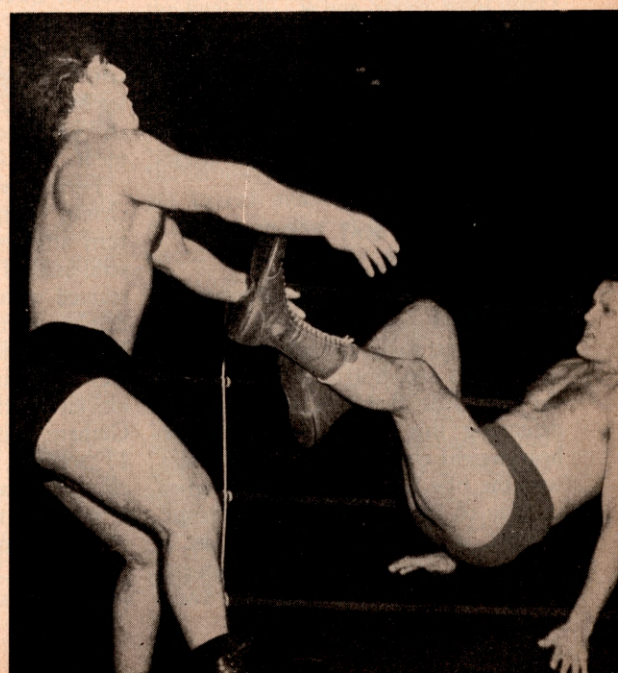
The 252 pound Killer Kowalski, Detroit, had a rough time of it to defeat the 601 pound butterball Haystack Calhoun in recent Madison Square Garden match.

Dick Beyer of Buffalo makes fast work of Baron Ricardo Gattoni, as he connects with a drop kick that meant victory.



WRESTLING MEN OF ACTION

Abruzzi, Italy's 260 pound Bruno Sammartino, a weight lifter, had it put withe villainous Killer Kowalski for 16:38 when the referee called a halt and called the bout a draw . . . even he was breathless.



and feels that a wrestler can take care of an opponent in a scientific manner, but if his adversaries elect the unorthodox attack, Gene is equal to the occasion and can produce plenty of fireworks when provoked.

Other newcomers who have made their Eastern debuts include Joe La Corte, of Columbus, Ohio; Don Juan (Chaussan) former bullfighter from France, Angelo Savoldi, Chet Wallick, Bobby Dane, Joe Swiderski, and Domenic Bravo. They are the advance guard of a new wrestling regime which is now being manifested from coast to coast.

Tag team wrestling continues to be the spice of many wrestling programs from coast to coast. The tandem form of wrestling imported from Australia offers continuous action with startling results, especially when all four participants go at one another at the same time.

In the East at the present time, are the greatest tag team combinations in existence. Nationally rated teams such as Doc and Mike Gallagher, the Bayonne, N. J. Bombers; John and Chris Tolos, The Canadian Wrecking Crew, Bearcat Wright and Bobo Brazil, the up and coming Sato and Duke Keomuka, Oriental judo and karate experts and Miguel Perez and Antonino Rocca.

"Bouncing" Bernie Burke with his sensational leaping tactics has gone right to the top of midget performers in the past couple of months. Here is a lad who springs on his legs like he was on a pogo stick. He bounces up and down in front of his opponent and then strikes like a cobra to bring down his adversary. His tactics certainly make the evening an enjoyable one for many fans.

Fritz von Erich, "The Blitzkrieg From Berlin" has recently come up with a new version of the vaunted claw-hold. It seems the German has been working secretly on new holds and he completely surprised the crowd and Gorgeous George as well, when he applied the claw-hold to the face and temples instead of the stomach. The new hold saw George writhing in the resin dust in just 5:41 and it was indeed humiliating to one of wrestling's greatest attractions.

MASSACHUSETTS MAT ACTION

By Dick Hyatt

After three years it finally happened—the reign of terror has ended. The reign we refer to did not occur in France many years ago, but in Boston, during the three years that Killer Kowalski was defending this area's version of the heavyweight championship. The Killer won the title from Edouard Carpentier in May of 1958 and lost it to Bearcat Wright in April of this year before a crowd of 6,200 at the Boston Garden.

Each contestant had won a fall when Wright started to gain the upper hand; Kowalski, seeing his title slipping away, started to foul Wright in the hope of getting disqualified and retaining his crown. Referee Al Castoldi obliged him as far as the disqualification went, but ruled that, because it was intentional, Kowalski lost his title.

After a conference with promoter Tony Santos, Castoldi awarded the title belt to Wright, making the latter the official champion. The semi final tag team bout went to Frank Scarpa and Haystack Muldoon over Bruiser Shields and Bull Montana. A special bout featured that perfumed honeyboy from Hollywood, Golden Boy Dupre, and that sensational masked man, the Great Kilroy in a 20 minute draw.

Later in the month, Bearcat Wright put his newly won crown on the line against Wild Bull Curry, who was substituting for Killer Kowalski. Wright's advantage in weight and ability more than offset Curry's use of a pair of brass knuckles and generally rough tactics. The champ took the first fall with a reverse body press and the second with a Co Co butt and body press.

The semi final pitted rough and tough Bull Montana against Ricki Starr, who recently returned to the ring after a tour as a Rock and Roll singer. Starr spent about eight minutes teasing his befuddled opponent, then used a series of drop kicks and a body press to win in his initial appearance in "Bean Town." Other important bouts saw Joe "Red" Sasso win on a disqualification over Bruiser Shields, Haystack Muldoon pin Billy Graham, and Pat Patterson go to a draw with Frank Kindred.

PHILADELPHIA PHINDINGS

By M. J. Wetmore

Mat action swung back into the Philadelphia area with the big return bout between World Champion Pat O'Connor and the Jamaican Blockbuster, Sweet Daddy Siki, headlining. Once again, O'Connor defeated his foe, but this time much quicker than the last, winning with his dreaded spinning leg lock in 21:06. The young Jamaican still gave the champ many anxious moments with his merciless head-hunting.

Former world heavyweight boxing champ, Primo Carnera, made his return after many years absence in the semi-final. The 6′ 7″ 270 pound Italian, teamed with Billy Darnell, 214, Philadelphia, to thrash Eddie Graham, 234, Phoenix, Ariz., and Hans Schmidt, 249, Germany, in straight falls. Darnell quickly electrified the crowd by pinning Graham, with 3 quick drop-kicks, in 13 seconds. In the second fall the enraged Graham and Schmidt began a brutal attack on Darnell in their corner, featuring a lot of choking and little else. Carnera attempted to enter several times, but was restrained, until he got the tag. While he was giving Graham a boxing lesson, Schmidt (forcibly) ejected Billy Darnell from the ring. Surprisingly, the much smaller Graham began to get the better of the big man, until both he and Schmidt began to choke Carnera with the tag rope. The Graham-Schmidt duo were obviously enraged as was shown by their refusal to stop choking Carnera. The big German began to manhandle Darnell and Referee Tom Finley until finally Graham and Schmidt were disqualified. Carnera showed that he is no longer a serious threat in big-time wrestling, and would undoubtedly have been easily beaten in singles by either of his two adversaries of this bout.

In preliminaries, the Brown Panther, 95 lbs., Philadelphia, won a special handicap match over the rugged Billy the Kid, 92 lbs., Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Pee Wee James, 99, Montreal. The Panther won over James for the 1st fall with a reverse Jack Knife, despite the constant interference by Billy the Kid. Late in the fall, the two partners began to argue among themselves, and it was an easy matter for the Brown Panther to give both men a thorough beating, and to win with an airplane spin in 4:36. The Panther, as usual, displayed a high degree of comedy, by such things as biting down hard on the backsides of his opponents and referee.

Angelo Poffo, 232, Chicago, drew with Dick Steinborn, 217, Orlando, Florida, when they met in a head-on collision after 12:44 of rough action. Both men showed real ability, with Poffo as sly as ever. Poffo's tuxedoed stooge, Bronco Lubich, antagonized the crowd by smashing Steinborn with his cane, after the match had ended. Poffo was derided for his colorful costume, which included a muff and a bright red garter.

In the opener, The Brute, 254, Alaska, won over the Taro Sakura, Japan, in 3:34 by disqualification.

Sailor Art Thomas, of Madison, Wisconsin, made his wrestling debut in this area, after previously picketing the arena, by disposing of Danny Ferrazo in 2:08 with a "bearhug." Thomas is one of wrestling's strongest men.

MATSIDE—BOSTON

By Karen Henderson

Boston wrestling fans have seen two cards at the Boston Garden since I last reported. The first one was very poor. Killer Kowalski lost to Bearcat Wright on a disqualification. Bearcat then decided that the belt was his although officially a title cannot change hands on a disqualification. Wright decided that he was going to have the belt so he punched Tony Santos, who was standing in the ring holding the belt, and left in a hurry with the belt in his hand. Killer Kowalski did not

like this idea so he proceeded to choke Mr. Santos because he let Bearcat take the belt.

In the other bouts: Mary Jane Mull & Lucille Dugre defeated Alma Mills & Bambi Ball, Haystack Muldoon & Frank Scarpa defeated Frank Shields & Bull Montana, Sonny Boy Cassidy & Jim Brady defeated Vincent Garibaldi & Fabian, Golden Boy Dupree drew with the Great Kilroy.

In the second show Bull Curry lost to Bearcat Wright, Ricki Starr defeated Bull Montana, Ethel Johnson & Marva Scott defeated Babs Wingo & Lulu Provo, Joe Red Sasso defeated Frank Shields, Haystack Muldoon defeated Billy Graham, and Frank Kindred drew with Pat Patterson. Ricki Starr was a mystery wrestler. That is his name was not known until he appeared in the ring. I think more people would have attended had they known Ricki was going to be there. It is now said that the Killer is banned in Boston by Tony Santos. According to my records the last time the Killer appeared in Boston he said he was leaving Boston and would not be coming back. I would like to think that is the reason he is among the missing. The card of the 14th of April which was headlined by Wright & Curry was a great improvement over most of the previous cards. I am sure many fans would agree with me when I say I would rather see five good bouts than seven fair ones.

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MIAMI MAT MOTION
By Ken Mitnick

Here we go with this month's wrestling news from the deep south. On a card from Miami Beach: Tito Carreon, 218, wrestled Jimmy Martin, 226. This was a 2 out of 3 fall bout with Carreon the victor in 2 straight falls. The second bout was a very exciting match pitting Eddie Graham, 230, against a newcomer to this area, Larry Simon, 224. This was for the Southern heavyweight championship. Another note of this match is that Simon subbed for Tiger Jack Vansky. Graham won in two straight falls, one at 14:00 and the other at 11:34.

The main event was a match not to be soon forgotten, for this almost turned into a full fledged riot. This match put Mark Lewin, 220, and Don Curtis, also 220, against Kurt & Karl von Brauner, weighing a combined total of 464. The first fall went to The Germans at 20:00. Number two went to the crowd's favorites, Lewin & Curtis at 3:00.

In between the second and third fall, Tito Carreon ran up into the ring and challenged the von Brauners to a match with Tito's partner being Sammy Rodriquez. The von Brauners proceeded to, with their manager, Saul Weingeroff, tear Carreon apart. After taking a severe beating, Carreon was promptly thrown from the ring. Then the bell rang. The von Brauners were giving the works to Lewin and Curtis when someone told Carreon's friend, Eddie Graham, what happened to Tito. Graham, who was in the dressing room at the time, immediately raced out to the ring and almost slaughtered *both* the von Brauners *and* their manager. Referee Ted Lewin had nothing to do but disqualify the team of Lewin & Curtis. The following week, the main event was another slug fest. It was a six man tag team event pitting Lewin, Curtis and Carreon against the von Brauners and Hans Schmidt. There were two very capable referees for this bout, one being popular wrestler Jerry Christy and the other, Doc Kowarski.

The first fall went to Lewin in 6:00. The second went to Karl von Brauner over Lewin in 5:00 with a Boston crab. In the third fall, Curtis took a flying tackle leap at Schmidt, who moved. Curtis had his neck caught between the second and third ropes. When referee Christy got Curtis out of the ropes, Don was unconscious and was counted out on the apron. The match went to the Germans. Preliminaries: Tito Carreon over Hans Schmidt by disqualification. Gustavo Bach, 220, over Ted Lewin, 216, in 12:20 with a series of body drops and a press. Billy Parks retained his Canadian championship against Oscar "El Toro" Verdue in two out of three falls.

SOUTHERN WRESTLING NEWS
By Gene Gordon

Buddy Rogers is still creating much havoc in the Carolinas. The U. S. heavyweight champion had a close call at the Charlotte Coliseum with spectacular Billy Darnell, but came out the winner when the popular "Tarzan" Darnell couldn't return to the ring after landing outside on the concrete floor, and had to be assisted to the dressing room. Throwing caution to the winds, Rogers needed all his ring savvy and general rough housing along with skill to win this one. Both were exhausted when the sudden ending brought a halt to this donnybrook, when Darnell was injured during the leap from the ring in the last fall.

Sweet Daddy Siki, unbeaten sensation, drew a tough foe in Taro a Sakuro, tricky Japanese, but had too much class for the Oriental grappler, winning with a good impression.

George Becker, Charlotte's most beloved wrestler, and Sandy Scott, also a favorite in the Carolinas, teamed together successfully, defending their Southern States Tag Team Title against the rough twosome of P. Y. Chung, Chinese terror, and Chris Averoff, of Greece. Averoff, a former European champion, has returned after a year's absence. Chief Big Heart won a hard fought battle over fiery Jan Madrid. Madrid, from Barcelona, Spain, gave the popular Indian a rough evening before bowing to the Redskin in a crowd pleaser all the way.

Eddie Auger and Tinker Todd put up a good battle on the same card. Auger, who made his debut here for the first time several weeks ago, is also known in other areas as Eddie O'Shea and Pierre La Salle. He shows plenty of ring ability and has gone over well since appearing here. Todd, who recently returned from England, has changed his style and now wrestles on the aggressive side.

Bob Nandor, Hungarian born mat artist, with the unusual style, continues his winning streak becoming a popular name in the Carolina-Virginia area during the past six months.

Fabulous Terry Garvin, Bob Boyer, Ray Gordon, Thor Hagen, Jack Curtis, Mike Paidousis, Garcia Bros. and Charlie Layl are others now keeping wrestling in the spotlight in this area.

Also deserving mention is a promising youngster, Mark Stone.

WILD WEST WRESTLING
By Gene Corey

Two exciting tag team matches sent Herb Freeman and Chief Billy Whitewolf against the champions, Bill Savage and Tito Kupa. The first match was lost by the champs on a disqualification, and the challengers proved themselves worthy of a title go, by defeating the title holders in the second match. As a result of the tag team matches we find one of the bloodiest feuds ever in this area.

Iron Mike DeBiase took that opportunity to take Savage's jacket, tear it up, and throw it in the ring when Wild Willie was putting Freeman down for the final fall. When Savage went after Iron Mike, Herbie reached over the top rope and cauge Savage in a full nelson.

Savage had to chase DeBiase all over Oregon, but finally got his match in the armory here, but the fans didn't get to see much of the action as it ended under the ring. The rematch ended the same way with Savage on top choking Iron Mike. They were rematched the following week and in hopes of getting a decision the winner was promised a title match with champion Herb Freeman. Bill Savage won the final match the hard way, as De Biase jumped off the crossbuckle and scored a direct hit on Wild Willie's throat, sending Savage to the hospital.

As Savage was unable to wrestle for a while, DeBiase went against Herb Freeman the following week. Freeman

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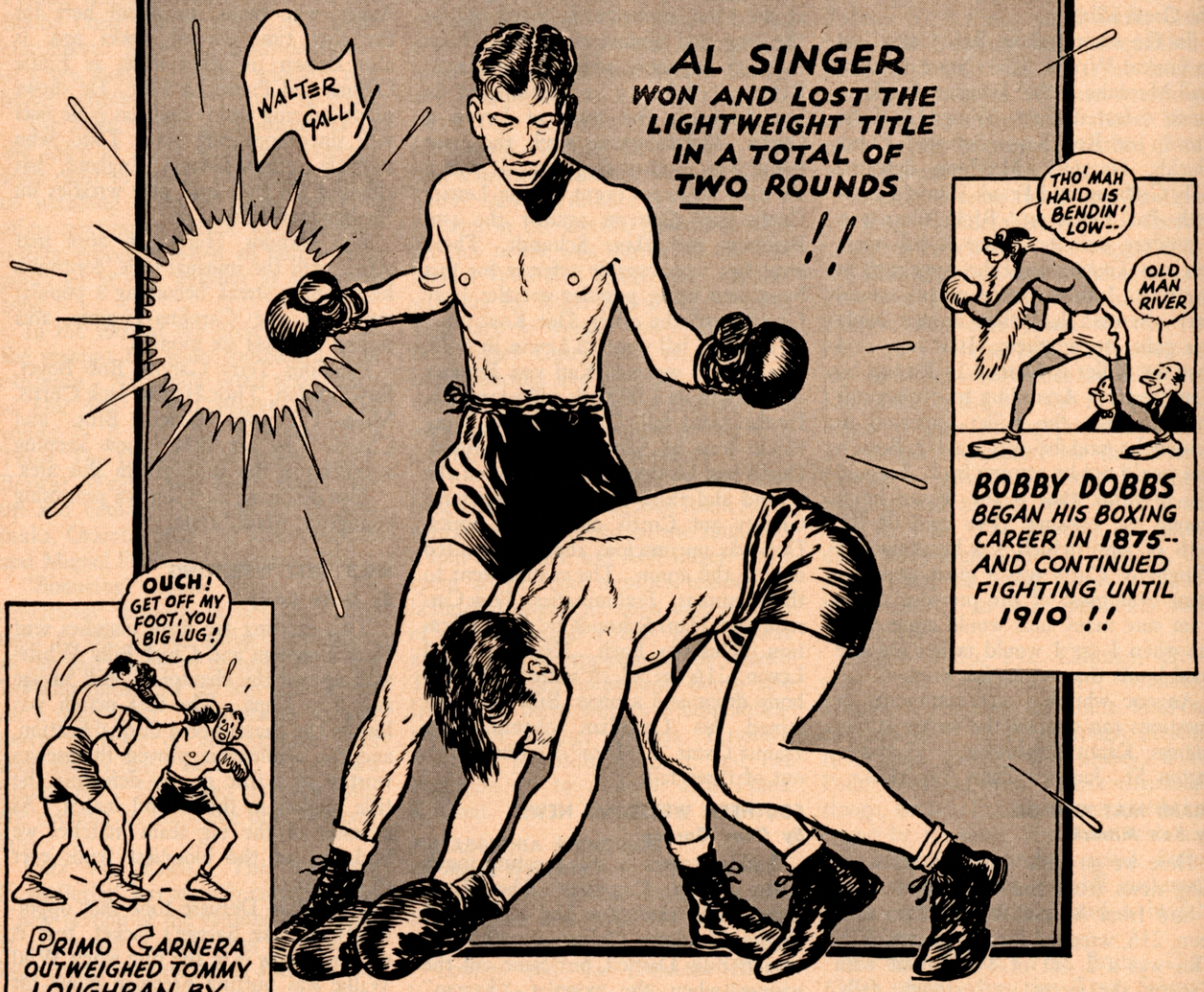
RINGSIDE REVIEW



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BOBBY DOBBS BEGAN HIS BOXING CAREER IN 1875-- AND CONTINUED FIGHTING UNTIL 1910 !!

PRIMO CARNERA OUTWEIGHED TOMMY LOUGHRAN BY **86 POUNDS** IN THEIR HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE BOUT...1934.. CARNERA WON ON POINTS IN 15 ROUNDS.

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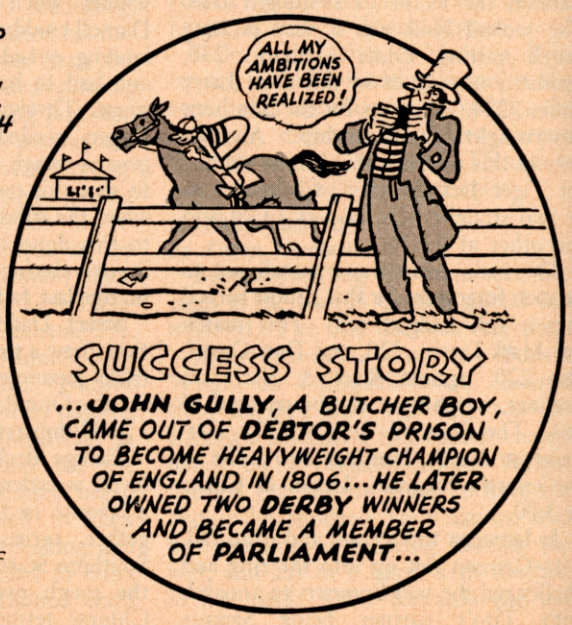


SUCCESS STORY ...JOHN GULLY, A BUTCHER BOY, CAME OUT OF DEBTOR'S PRISON TO BECOME HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION OF ENGLAND IN 1806...HE LATER OWNED TWO DERBY WINNERS AND BECAME A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT...

TOMMY RYAN LOST ONLY ONE FIGHT IN OVER 300 BATTLES-- BARE KNUCKLES INCLUDED !!

FROM OUR READERS

IS PATTERSON AFRAID?

Dear Sirs:

Is Patterson Afraid of Liston? Sonny Liston is the number one contender for the heavyweight title, as everyone knows. Therefore, why is Patterson unwilling to fight him? Of course, Patterson is using the fact that some of Liston's associates are racketeers as an excuse to keep from fighting him.

There is the question in my mind as to whether or not this is the real reason behind Patterson's refusal to fight. I don't know what Cooper's standing as a fighter is, but I do know that it isn't as high as Liston's.

It seems as though Patterson is looking for some easy mark to fight.

Patterson has said that if there is anyone who can defeat him, that person should be the heavyweight champion. Liston may just be the one who can do it. Therefore it seems to me that Liston should be given a chance to fight Patterson.

No matter how you look at it, this would be a great fight, and I believe that it would create even more interest than any of the fights between Patterson and Johansson. I am sure that the odds wouldn't be 18-5 as they were on the last fight between Patterson and Johansson, even though this was a poor estimate of the difference in skill of the two fighters.

John H. Hunter
Iowa State University
Ames, Iowa

EACH TO HIS OWN

Dear Sirs:

I am an enthusiastic wrestling fan. When I read the letter from Stacey Conrad I just couldn't let it go by.

I have seen many wrestling matches, my eyes are quite good and I have yet to see any fake things about the matches.

I have no interest at all in boxing and have no complaints about the boxing section, but, I would appreciate a little more wrestling news. As there is very little of it and in proportion to the boxing section, I feel the wrestling fans are being cheated.

Linda Van Kirk
Baltimore, Md.

DON'T BE DETRIMENTAL

Dear Sirs:

While reading accounts of the recent Patterson-Johansson fight I was disturbed to read so many detrimental remarks aimed at Floyd Patterson because he was floored in many of his ..title bouts. Few remember that the past greats, such as Tunney, Dempsey, and Marciano all had to come off the canvas to win.

I think Floyd showed the courage of a true champ. I sincerely believe that there isn't a contender around that can beat him, including Sonny Liston.

Barry Wood
Arlington, Mass.

THESPIANS

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter in regard to one in your April edition of Ring. It was written by a Mr. Conrad. It is obvious that Mr. Conrad has never been to a live wrestling match (like he says he has) or else he would not have written such a ridiculous letter. I am in complete disagreement with his statement *"acrobatic phonies, fake punches, artificial blood capsules, and terrible groans and groans."*

This is inaccurate and untrue, and if not I'll eat the ring (and not the magazine!) And if you ever remove the wrestling section from your magazine you will lose at least half of your readers. Maybe it is true that boxing will live forever, but wrestling will live longer.

A Great Wrestling Fan
Parssipany, New Jersey

BIG FIGHT?

Dear Sirs:

After listening to the heavyweight fight on radio, and seeing it on film in the movies, I thought I'd write to you concerning it.

Even though I am satisfied that Floyd Patterson is a fairly good champion, in my opinion, he didn't deserve the 3rd fight. Here are my reasons: Floyd, by his own admissions, said he wasn't in his best condition and didn't fight his best fight. Ingemar should have won the fight in the first round. But he must learn how to finish a fighter off, instead of keep knocking his opponent down, as he did in their first title match.

In my opinion, Johansson fought the best "boxing" match of his life, simply because he improved his left hand 100%.

It would be purely ridiculous to drop the Swede below No. 5 in the heavyweight ratings, he can still beat any other heavy-weights in the division, including Henry Cooper and Sonny Liston.

Richard Neale
Clifton, N. J.

STOP! LOOK! LISTON!

Gentlemen:

I have been a reader of The Ring for some time and enjoy the fight stories and reports. I must say a few words on behalf of Sonny Liston. I believe he is receiving harsh treatment from the public and officials. He is definitely the top challenger and despite his past tilts with the law, he should be permitted to fight Patterson and the various boxing organizations should see that he, not Cooper of England, as the papers have stated, gets the next shot at the title.

Liston is far better equipped than Cooper. He has a record that excels that of the Britisher. Let's see that he is given the opportunity he rightfully deserves.

Boxing is the only sport that doesn't give the next in line to the crown his rights. Let's force the commissions to alter that condition.

Robert Kress
Montreal, Canada

FIRMER CONTROL

Dear Sirs:

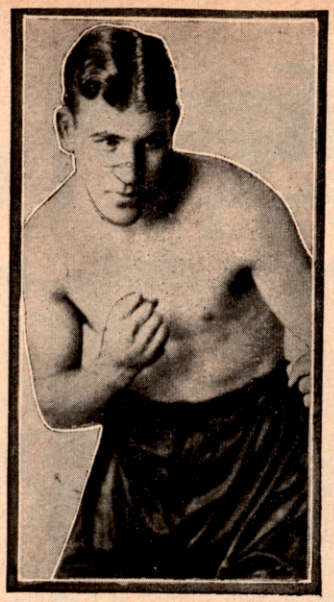
I have seen all three of the Johansson and Patterson fights by television and I feel that the last one was by far the most entertaining and the best planned. I wish to say now that Johansson was subject to both a short and unfinished count and a rabbit punch. Patterson was definitely forging ahead at the time but Johansson could very easily have landed a good right and ended it in his favor.

This miscarriage of justice must be corrected if we are going to have the confidence of the public. This fiasco was like the one in the second Fullmer-Basilio fight when an over-anxious referee stopped the fight after Basilio had taken an abnormal amount of punishment and had recovered to fight back.

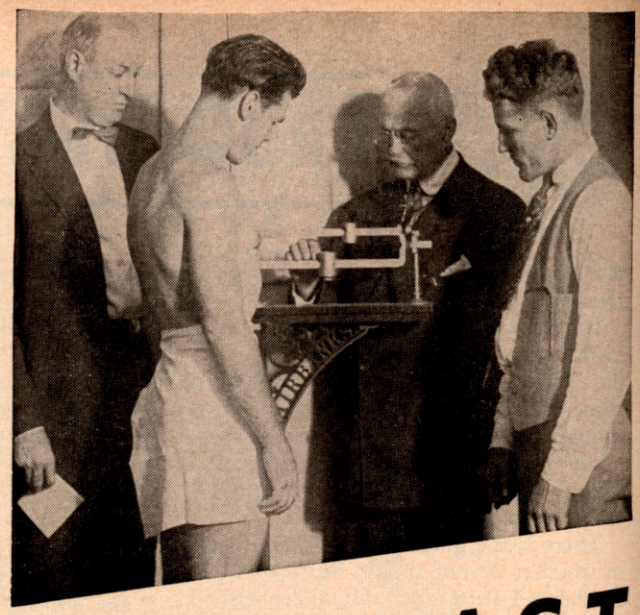
I agree that in the heat of the moment that decisions can be wrong but I feel there should be an immediate appeal which may be used to rectify these unwise decisions on the spot.

I am very much against any federal control of anything but it seems to be clear that boxing is unable to care for itself. In this case something must be done even if it is federal control. This and the formation of an international boxing commission are in order. We also need an international championship body.

Joe F. Hillhouse, M.D
Paris, Texas

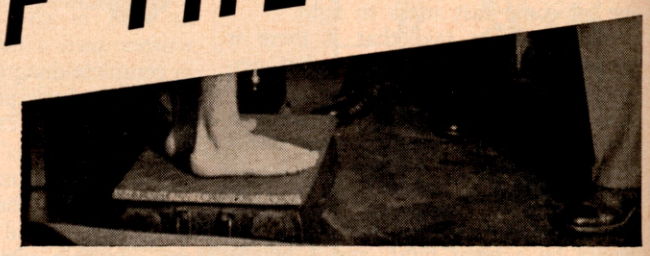


Dave Shade, as he looked at the height of his boxing career.



Commissioner William Muldoon weighs in Mickey Walker with Dave Shade and James J. Farley (left) looking on. Shade lost a questionable decision to Walker and with it his chance at the welterweight championship. It was this fight that caused Wilbur Wood to close boxing articles in "The Sun" for many years with the slogan: "Don't bet on fights."

A SHADE OF THE PAST



By WILBUR WOOD

Former Sports Editor of The N. Y. Sun

TIME marches on, but no more swiftly and inexorably than the parade of the great and the near great in the world of sport. Out of obscurity the mighty figures of the baseball and boxing world spring with startling suddenness to shine briefly in the glare of glory, only to fade into the shadows of the obscurity whence they came. Oh where, as the poet sings, are the snows of yesteryear?

In the ring a boy of eighteen or nineteen or twenty, becomes overnight a magical figure—an idol of millions of fistic fans. Yesterday he was unknown; today his name is on millions of lips; his face and form are familiar to millions of eyes on the sports pages of the newspapers, on the television screens. Tomorrow he is gone, almost as completely as had he never been in the spotlight.

Sometimes, of course, the activities of these great figures of the sock market remain familiar to some extent. Some of them become referees or entertainers of sports. Jack Dempsey, for instance, is still almost as alive in the consciousness of the ring fans as when he was in his heydey as a fighter. But how many fans today know just what Gene Tunney, the man who dethroned the idolized Manassa Mauler, is doing? Not many, I venture.

How many times, when something recalls to your mind fleetingly the memory of a champion or near champion of years back, have you wondered where he is today and what he is doing?

For instance, a boy such as Jimmy McLarnin, a great champion. He dropped out of sight when he stopped fighting. What is he doing today? Where is he? How many

Or Willie Ritchie, Bud Taylor or any one of scores of know?

leading fighters of the past, whose names and deeds and personal lives were so familiar to millions in the days of their greatness?

THE writer of these lines, watching on the screen the movies of some great fight of years gone by, often has wondered: "Where are they now?" You must have had the same thought.

Sometimes, the finger of coincidence brings you in contact with one of these mighty shadows of the past, with a total unexpectedness. Such a happening rolls back the years, returning to your vision stirring scenes of years long gone by.

So it was with this writer, driving from Florida to New York to attend the Marciano-LaStarza fight. At dusk, looking for a lodging for the night in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., we rolled up to the office of a bright new motel, the Ocean Air. We signed up with the lady in the office and she said: "My husband will show you to your room."

We turned and looked into the face of Dave Shade, the man who earned the welterweight championship of the world but was denied it by one of the most atrocious decisions in the history of boxing in New York.

Yes, there he was, 51 years old at the time, with hair that had turned to grey, but spry and nimble as ever. Recognition was simultaneous on the part of each of us, but left us silent for a moment.

That's the way it sometimes happens. You turn a corner or look up at a passerby and there you see someone whom you knew well in the past but had not seen in the flesh for twenty or thirty years, someone who had disappeared from your orbit as completely as if he had vanished into the stratosphere.

Dave Shade has always had a special page in my book because it was the decision in favor of Mickey Walker over Dave in New York on the night of September 21, 1925, that led me to coin the slogan, "Don't Bet on Fights," with which I closed every piece I wrote on boxing for so many years in the now defunct New York Evening Sun.

It is to be doubted if that admonition ever stopped anyone from betting on a fight. But it was sound advice in the roaring 'twenties, when many a victorious boxer was deprived of the decision due to shenanigans outside the ring. There were some darbs in those days, but the only one I recall that was worse than that which deprived Shade of the welterweight title was the one which pronounced Johnny Dundee victor over Jack Bernstein in their second encounter, in Madison Square Garden.

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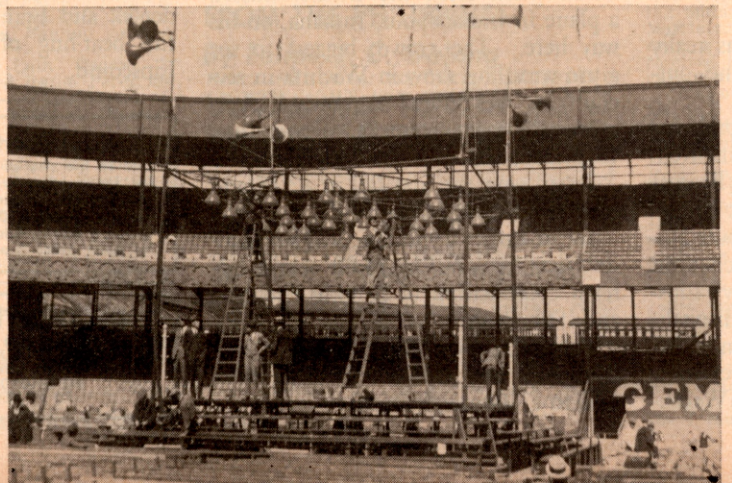
Starring in a movie series, "Fighting Blood," shortly after the close of World War I, actor George O'Hara was well supplied in supporting roles with experienced ring talent—boxers, trainers and managers. Reading from left to right are O'Hara, Joe Rivers, Ad Wolgast, George Hauck, Frankie Adams, Larry McGrath, George Sherman, Texas Kid, Ray Johnson, Georgie Levine, Kit Guard, Jimmy Dunning, Bob Perry, John Thompson and Al Cooke.

Old Timers Album

A couple of dapper champions got together in 1910 when featherweight boxer Abe Attell and jockey Tod Sloane exchanged pleasantries in New York. Now 75, Attell is one of the oldest living ex-champions, but he still is an active Man-About-Town and is invariably seen at all the leading sports events staged in New York.



An old pal, Tom Tracey, had his photo snapped in 1899 at the Oregon grave of Jack (Nonpareil) Dempsey and his wife, Margaret.

The Dempsey-Firpo battle in New York's Polo Grounds in 1923 added something new to boxing promotions. Amplifiers around the ring made it possible for fans in every corner to hear the announcements, which also were broadcast over the radio to South America.

THE MAT WORLD

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took the first fall, and then DeBiase took the last two for the match. And in winning the title, he hurt another very popular wrestler, which makes him very unpopular here with fans and wrestlers alike.

Pat O'Connor was in the Portland area putting his title on the line against Iron Mike DeBiase, in what turned out to be a knock down and drag out battle. DeBiase had won the right to meet O'Connor by defeating the great Lou Thesz on a referee decision, and a draw the second time around. O'Connor took the only fall in 20 minutes and then both men fought the remaining time out to a finish. At times it seemed that DeBiase had Pat at his mercy, then much to the relief of the crowd Pat would come back and work Mike over.

With Soldat Gorky back, it looks like Savage and Kupa will have more trouble keeping the NW tag team trophy, they took from Freeman and Kozak, in the very rough form of Soldat Gorky and Kurt von Poppenheim. These two men are very dangerous, with Kurt's years of experience, and Gorky's wolf leap, which I've been told "is hard on the throat." If these two aren't enough, when they got word of DeBiase taking the NW title, "Gentleman Ed" Francis sends word from Canada that he is coming back, and Luther Lindsay is expected up from Calif. at the same time. These two, who are known for their cleanup work, state that they are looking for trouble, namely, Iron Mike DeBiase.

Francis comes back from a great invasion of Alberta, Canada, where he held the Open Heavyweight title. "Gentleman Ed" met Kurt von Poppenheim at the Labor Temple, and won a very clear-cut victory. During the "Gentleman's" stay in Portland, Ed met Iron Mike and handed him the worst beating he ever received in this area. After losing a highly debatable title match the following Friday, Francis announced that he had a contract to appear in the Islands and would be leaving within the week.

WRESTLING IN CLEVELAND

By Leon Hammonds

Promoter Pedro Martinez has really been treating the fans to some outstanding cards. Here are some:

In a main event, the "World tag team" champions, Duke and Sato Keomuka met Bobo Brazil and Bearcat Wright with Bobo and Bearcat emerging the new champions before over 10,000 fans. The supporting matches on the card were: Gene "Big Daddy" Lipscomb over Mike Gallagher via disqualification. Fritz "The Claw" von Erich and Billy "Red" Lyons won over John and Chris Tolos the "Hamilton Wreckers" when Fritz applied the claw to John's face. Doc Gallagher pinned Gorgeous George with a knee drop and body press. Pino Bravo defeated Jimmy Dane of Montreal. Joe Swiderski and Baron Riccardo Gattoni drew in the opener.

On another card, in a rematch, Bobo and Bearcat held to their title with a win over Duke and Sato Keomuka. In the supporting matches Fritz von Erich and Billy Lyons lost to the Tolos Brothers in a rematch.

In other events Illio DiPaulo, the Italian star defeated the Frenchman Frank Valois with an airplane spin. Dick Beyer defeated Chet Wallick the former Ohio State university star. Domenic Bravo defeated "Iron" Mike Valentino with a "giant swing" and in the opener Miguel Perez defeated "Roamin" Ramon Lopez with a "flying dropkick" and a press in the opener.

KANSAS CITY

Dortho Moss

Wrestling in the Kansas City area has had a lot of the big time wrestlers. Dick "the Bruiser" was the victor over Bobo Brazil. The Bruiser took the first fall with rope jumps. Brazil evened the match with a series of head butts and a body smother, but Bobo was unable to continue after 2:37 in the third fall when he missed a drop kick, landing on the back of his head. The referee awarded the match to the Bruiser.

Antonino "Argentina" Rocca forced Angelo Savoldi to submit to a backbreaker at 9:43.

Tarzan "Killer" Kowalski and "Cowboy" Bob Ellis wrestled to a 30 minute draw. John Paul Henning and Sonny Myers won over the Masked Medics. Myers won the only fall over Medic No. 1 with a sleeper hold at 22:30.

Promoter Joe Homsey from the Forum in Wichita, Kansas had a real good card this month.

Bobo Brazil, a hulking 275-pounder, won over "The Medics" tag-team before approximately 4,000 fans in a substitute main event.

The Masked Medics who won earlier in a tag-team match agreed to meet Brazil when Dick the Bruiser missed a plane in Indianapolis, Indiana, on his way here. The crowd, biggest to see a pro wrestling show in Wichita in several years, was offered its money back in a pre-card announcement. Fewer than 15 persons left.

Brazil won the first fall in 12:15 and took the second fall in 19:33.

In an earlier appearance "The Medics" won by a fall in 14:00 over a tag-team combination of Ronnie Etchison and The Brute.

Pat Lyda over Ann Regan. Bull Brummell and Cowboy Bradley wrestled to a 30-minute draw.

Tiny Roe and Pat Lyda over Lord Littlebrook and Ann Regan.

Promoter George Simpson, had some real good matches this past month.

Ronnie Etchison trounced Medic No. 1 to win the first main event. And the other half of the masked team, Medic No. 2. fared no better, losing to The Brute in the double main event.

Medic No. 1 dumped Etchison with a Boston crab for the first fall. Etchison came back to win two straight, the second fall with a knee stand and body press and the decider with an airplane spin.

The Brute took two straight falls over Medic No. 2, the first when Medic was disqualified for hitting the referee and the second with a bear hug.

In the tag-team event, Lee "Bulldog" Henning and Buddy "Bulldog" Austin won over Guy La Rose and Don McClarity. Henning won the first fall with a Boston backbreaker over La Rose who evened the match with an airplane spin and press over Henning. Austin took the third fall with a backbreaker and body press over McClarity.

Hogan Whorton threw Carlos Rodriguez with a series of flying tackles and a body press.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

By Ray Bandlow

Dick the Bruiser retained a version of the U. S. heavyweight wrestling title by defeating ex-Big Ten college wrestling champ, Leo Nomellini, in two of three falls before 5,672 fans, an exceptionally small crowd. Only two months ago nearly that many was turned away.

The Bruiser and Nomellini split the first two falls but Leo's hopes went up in smoke when he came off the ropes attempting a body-block only to miss. Leo went flying through the ropes and landed on his head. He could not beat the ten count into the ring.

In a feature bout Verne Gagne defeated the hard-driving Canadian, Gene "Big Thunder" Kiniski. The results of other pairings were Bobo Brazil over Dr. Big Bill Miller, Killer Kowalski defeating Emil Dupre, Prince Koko, the Hawaiian beach boy, over Jack Allen, Johnny Weaver pinned Joe Swiderski, and Frank Valois submitted to the bear-hug of Gene "Big Daddy" Lipscomb.

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RATINGS

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outscored Marcos Morales, 10. Santos Pereyra won from Manuel Alvarez, 10.

Ben Nedina whipper George Page, 10. Mel Middleton decisioned Chuck Taylor, 10. Rafael Acevedo stopped Anselmo Castillo, 7. Pedro Benelli drew with Hugo Juarez, 10, and kayoed Juan Campos, 5. Daniel Berrios drew with Diablo Perez, 10.

Jethro Cason won over J. D. Ellis, 10. Sergio Gomez defeated Indio Fernandez, 10. Joey Donovan bested Johnny Busso, 10. Juan Leyva defeated Hilario Espana, 10. Marvin Carter defeated Miguel Orona, 10.

Ben deVilla stopped Kid Tony, 7. Adolfo Olguin drew with Chico Rodriguez, 10, and bested Pollo Gabino, 10. Louis Molina kayoed Enrique Olea, 4. Ramon Castelum stopped Tony Lopez Smith, 3.

Rolando Mendoza kayoed Alfonso Kumazawa, 10, and beat Manny Sanchez, 10. Vic Graffio defeated Art Hayward, 10. Marcel Bizien outpunched Vic Diamond, 8.

Ike Vaughn defeated Tom Dennis, 8. Tito Marshall won over Cristobal Gonzalez, 10. Lou Cappellano defeated Art Wilburn, 8.

Pedro Rodriguez whipped Chihuahua Kid, 10. Stan Fitzgerald and Fernand Chretien drew, 6. Jesus Celis bested Julio Ramos, 10 (twice). Manuel Alvarez won on a disqualification over Lalo Duque, 7.

Les Bagi defeated John White, 6. Vicente Saldivar kayoed Cachorro Meza, 3. Vince Cala outscored Baby Beau Jack, 6.

Cecil Lewis stopped Spencer Edwards, 4. Esteban Santamaria whipped Valentin Brown, 6. Guizani Rezgui outscored Eddie Beattie, 12. Pablo Lopez defeated Tommy Nethercott, 6.

Arnie Cotarobles kayoed Dick Rivers, 4, and Ben Brown, 2. Harold Smith kayoed Johnny Bean, 2. Vicente Vazquez whipped David Becerril, 6.

Tom Lowry whipped Frankie Cooper, 6, and drew with Tom Griffin, 6. Perfecto Garcia halted Johnny Riccio, 3.

Luis Quijano whipped Joe Ambrosio, 6. Jackie Lennon outscored Willie Green, 6. Abel Laudonio kayoed Roberto Fiorenza, 1, and Alberto Rodriguez, 4.

Ray Schlamp kayoed Tommy Moore, 1. Charley Robinson beat Ray Salas, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Sugar Ramos and Juan Ramirez went to a technical draw, 5. Ramos then kayoed Felix Cervantes, 3.

Rafiu King whipped Harry Floyd Smith, 8. Sergio Capari kayoed Louis Oberto, 6, and bested Jean Biosca, 8.

Howard Winstone won the British title stopping Terry Spinks, 10. Yukio Katsumata outpointed Army Wonder Boy, 10. Alfredo Bunetta stopped Pedro Miranda, 5. Oscar Diaz won the Argentina title outpointing Aldo Gamboa, 12. Fino Rosales and Jose Luis Cruz, drew, 10. Pastor Marrero stopped Alberto Soto, 2. Felix Cervantes kayoed David Camacho, 3.

Auburn Copeland stopped Roy Yalong, 7. Lalo Guerrero won on a disqualification over Ike Chestnut, 6. Chico Veliz defeated Orlando Castillo, 10. Baby Brown stopped Harold Mara, 3.

Cristobal Gonzalez outscored Jesus Santamaria, 10. Efren Jimenez stopped Alberto Martinez, 2.

Don Johnson whipped Manuel Armenteros, 10. Kid Irapuato bested Rudy Coronado, 10. Jose Lopez kayoed Memo Ruiz, 9. David Floyd decisioned Tiger Willie, 12. Moi Torres kayoed Javier Garfias, 6. Henry Macias kayoed Roberto Gomez, 3.

Baby Brown whipped Ray Salazar, 10. Gildo Vargas outpointed Juan Perales, 10. Anselmo Hernandez outpointed Queretaro Kid, 10, and Panchito Macias, 10.

Memo Ruiz stopped Bobby Bell, 7, Bobby also was kayoed by Freddie Felix, 2, and Freddie also kayoed Pimi Barajas, 4. Rudy Corona kayoed Tony Gutierrez, 5, but was upset by Joe Valdez, 10, Joe also kayoed Miguel Paredes, 1, and beat Patricio Petatan, 10. Chilo Barranco beat Jose Luis Valdez, 10. Chuca Rodriguez and Paulino Araujo, drew, 10.

Julio Zuniga stopped Cain Rogero, 3. Cubanito Gonzalez whipped Raton Perez, 10. Javier Zatarain kayoed Felipe Sosa, 4. Alfredo Sanchez whipped Helidoro Hernandez, 10.

Pulga Serrano defeated Johnny Shaw, 10. Manny Sanchez won from Roberto Cornejo, 10. Raul Vargas and Roberto Palavccino, drew, 10. Harry Carroll outpointed Chris Elliott, 8.

Emilio Medina upset Luis Sanchez, 10. Derry Treanor whipped Johnny Kidd, 8. Pulga Garcia kayoed Panchito Villa, 3.

Roy Jacobs won from George Judge, 8. Pablo Cabrera won from Jose Luis Cepeda, 10. Humberto Martinez kayoed Chino Gonzalez, 3.

Roman Jimenez scored over Porfirio Diaz, 10. Wichio Morales defeated Vince Castro, 6.

Quan James stopped Zeke Perez, 4. Tony Vazquez kayoed Danny Medrano, 2. Joe Celis beat Juanito Miranda, 6. Bobby Herron kayoed Willie Kee, 2. Carlos Celis upset Juvenal Minguez, 10.

Ernesto Beltran won on a disqualification over Pepe Silva, 4. Pajaro Gonzalez kayoed Felix Gaytan, 7. Santos Mendez outpointed Julio Veitia, 8. Julio had drawn with Israel Napoles, 6. Javier Vazquez kayoed Miguel Juarez, 6.

Pastor Gonzales kayoed Mayico Robles, 1. Ray Zavala defeated Teo Roman, 6. Juan Mena whipped Valentin Rodriguez, 8. Al Cantara defeated Dony Tesoro, 8. Cane Carreon whipped Danny Brown, 8.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World Champion Eder Jofre kayoed Sugar Ray, 2, (non-title). Ray had previously fought a draw with Elysee Castre, 10.

British Empire champion Freddie Gilroy stopped Boualen Belouard, 7. Kenji Yonekura outpointed Chaidej Maraimaraj, 12. Carlos Hernandez kayoed Al Wilcher, 5.

Edmundo Esparza outscored Herman Marques, 10. Ernesto Miranda whipped Francisco Carreno, 10. Danny Kid whipped Nelson Estrada, 10. Ernesto Miranda whipped Federico Scarponi, 10.

Johnny Jamito defeated Jose Luis Martinez, 10. Eloy Sanchez and Ignacio Pina, drew, 10. Pina defeated Moi Torres, 10. Billy Rafferty defeated George Bowes, 12. Juan Ibares kayoed Alex Jimenez, 2. Killer Solomon stopped Roberto Del-Cid, 7. Chuy Guerrero upset flyweight Ernesto Barrera, 10. Hector Agundez kayoed Jose Lopez, 7. Chatito Ochoa kayoed Zurdo Arce, 3.

Marcing David won over Iwao Hakamada, 10. Torito Mota Kayoed Raul Barcelo, 5. Manny Elias kayoed Pedro Gonzales, 2. Juan Garcia outpointed Ramon Perez, 10.

Ruben Jimenez halted Manuel Solis, 4. Arturo Vazquez outscored Luis Jimenez, 10. Babe Lopez kayoed Chaparro DeLeon, 2. Brian Cartwright stopped Danny McNamee, 4, and bested Johnny O'Callaghan, 8.

Chebo Salazar kayoed Cubanito Gonzalez, 9. Marcelo Gonzalez outpointed Juan Salazar, 10. Johnny Morrissey stopped Tommy Burgoyne, 5. Ray Salazar decisioned Pajaro Gonzalez, 10.

Trino Savala and Sylvester Rutledge, drew, 8. Nicolas Reyes outscored Torito Montes, 10.

Alex Ambrose outscored Don Weller, 8. Miguel Paredes stopped Monito Luna, 6. Gallito Uribe drew with Jose Moreno, 10. Mario Luciano stopped Baby Felix, 1.

Jose Ramirez stopped Mario Gonzalez, 5. Tomas Guevara defeated Ray Tabares, 10. Carlos Navarrete stopped Manolo Ortiz, 2. Angel Ley stopped Jose Legra, 6.

Tacuba Uribe whipped Panchito Gonzalez, 10. Ismael Laguna stopped Jose Pacheco, 3, and beat Ernesto Campbell, 6.

FLYWEIGHTS

Sadao Yaoita kayoed Koji Ishibashi, 4.

Pascual Perez beat Juan Moreyra, 10 and kayoed Pablo Sosa, 3.

Jean Guerard upset European titleholder Risto Lukkonen, 10. Ernesto Barrera lost to bantam Chuy Guerrero, 10.

Little Rufe decisioned Dommy Ursua, 10. Australian Champion Alan Gibbards retained his title outscoring Jackie Bruce 12. Salvatore Burruni beat Gamara Diop, 10.

Cuervo Salinas decisioned Mauro Miranda, 10. Chivete Martinez outpointed Chocolate Rodriguez, 10. Romy Sison decisioned Baby Espinosa, 10. Apolonio Salinas outpointed Chuy Rodriguez, 12.

Miguel Angel Votta kayoed Carlos Diaz, 3. Gustavo Pitalua decisioned Jose Luis Dominguez, 8. Vicente Garcia outpointed Chilango Gomez, 10.

Derek Lloyd and Pancho Bhatachaji drew, 8. Rach Camara kayoed Gavilan Martinez, 4. Primo Famero defeated Star Catalan, 8.

Elmer Escalante defeated Zurdo Salazar, 6, and Perlita de San Francisco, 6. Lorenzo Cruz kayoed Raul Huerta, 5. Manuel Moreno halted Eligio Pontilles, 5.

Antonio Gomez halted Freddie Diaz, 1. Ramon Estrada and Antonio Paniagua, drew, 6. Enrique Castillo kayoed Sal Chong, 4.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES

By Felipe J. C. Galang

BERT SOMODIO, 138, AND PHILIPPINE LIGHTWEIGHT AND ORIENTAL JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION, won the decision against Cisco Andrade, 137¾ at the Araneta Coliseum, Quezon City. It was an early Christmas for the local fighter when the referee and one of the judges decided in favor of Somodio. The majority of the 25,000 fans disagreed loudly. The visitor was down once from a right to the jaw.

Oscar Reyes, 129, kayoed Alfredo Escobar, 129, of Los Angeles in the 2nd round. The Filipino dropped the American with a right to the chin in the first round. In the fatal 2nd, the Filipino landed another right to the chin sending the visiting fighter out of the ring with his head on the apron while his feet were dangling in the ropes. The highly favored Escobar, with his 3 straight kayo victories in Los Angeles was the favorite of the evening but was found to have a glass jaw.

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Ronnie Jones, 118, of America kayoed Arab Junior, 117½, in the 7th round. The Filipino was leading in points when caught by two left hooks to the jaw sending him to the canvas for good. Sugar Cane Carreon, 123, bested Danny Brown, 127 in 8. Rocky Padilla, 111 won over David Asuncion, 110, in 4. Sixto Plenos, 112, defeated Carlitos Padilla, 112 in another 4 rounder. Vic Ibanez, 121, decisioned Mely Sogarino, 119 in 4. Young Agres, 136 outpointed Mel Ferror, 136 in the 4 round opener.

▶ Yukio Katsumata, 130¼, outpointed Army Wonder Boy, 130, Oriental featherweight champion in a 10 non-title bout at the Rizal Coliseum. The only round clearly won by the Filipino was the 6th when he opened a small cut over the Japanese right eye. In the 8th Katsumata was in bad shape. The decision of the officials was unanimous.

Veteran Arthur Persley, 139, stopped Ryukichi Fukuchi, 142, in the very first round. The Japanese drew the first blood of the evening with two punches to the chin forcing his opponent to clinch. A right of Persley sent Fukuchi to the floor for a 4 count. As soon as the Japanese got up he chased Persley like a bull only to be sent to the floor for the full count by a right to the jaw.

Marcing David, 120, won the decision over Iwao Hakamada, 120, of Japan in 10 rounds. The crowd resented the decision and threw everything to the ring as a sign of their protest. Avenger Jr. 113, halted Baby Jazmin, 116 in 4. Fel Mendy, 123, defeated Speedy Dart, 123, in 6. Leo Lanaca, 114, stopped Federico Baylon, 112, in 4th round and last round of the curtain raiser.

▶ Roberto Cruz, 144, became the newly crowned welterweight champion of the Philippines when he outpointed Rocky Kalingo, 145, in 12 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum. The last two rounds in which Cruz almost kayoed the Rock Baby, caught the eyes the officials to render their decision in his favor.

Auburn Copeland, 130, kayoed Roy Yalong, 130, in the 7th round. It was the same Flashy Copeland that halted Cezar was the favorite in the betting due to his recent showing. It was a left hook that did the trick.

Primo Famero, 111, bested Star Catalan, 114, in 8. Dio Cagulada, 127, and Kid Johnson, 128, drew in 8. Vera Cruz, 108, stopped Soriano Rabago, 112, in 8. Rush Rogelio, 111 bested Pete Regala, 112 in 4. Basil Espinosa, 113, drew with Tony Publico, 114, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Auburn Copeland, 128, kayoed Little Cezar, 128, in the 4th round of a 10 round non-title bout at the Araneta Coliseum. This was the third straight defeat of the Filipino featherweight champion. The only round won by the Filipino was the first.

Copeland started the slaughter in the 2nd round. He opened a cut over Cezar's right eye.

In the 3rd round the American drew blood from the nose of the Filipino with a right. In the 4th and fatal round, Copeland swarmed over his rival with lefts and rights to the face and body sending the Filipino to the ropes. The Filipino was at the mercy of the American when the referee stepped in and awarded the decision to the American.

Johnny Jamito, 121, won over Spanish Jose Luis Martinez, 121, in the 10 round supporting main event. It was a valiant stand by Martinez, who was the aggressor of the evening despite the severe punishment he received from the Philippines bantamweight champion.

Al Cantara, 126, won over Dony Tesoro, 124, in 8 rounds. Casey Reyes, 128, defeated Young Macalino, 127, in 6. Willie Cordova, 119 halted Joe Cruz, 117, in 4. Baby Rolona, 112, won over Lex Sande, 112, in 4. Phil Ruiz, 110, bested Flashy Nota, 109, in 4.

▶ Little Rufe, 114, defeated Dommy Ursua, 114 in 10 round main event at the Montano Hall of Cavite City. Rufe proved to be more clever than slugging Ursua. This presentation was promoted by Justiniano Montano Jr. who is now back to boxing and manager of Oscar Reyes.

Ben de Villa, 135, stopped Kid Tony, 138, in 7. Fighting Marcos, 119, drew with Yangtze Moore, 120, in 4. Dommy Froilan, 116, won over Montalban Kid, 118 in 6. Kid Roland, 112, fought in even terms with Nel Rufe, 114, in another 4 rounder, Manuel Soriano, 110 whipped Rading Painga, 111, in the 4 round opening.

A SHADE OF THE PAST

(*Continued from page* 42)

DAVE SHADE was a fighter almost unique in ring history in style. As you will recall if you were around when he was active, he boxed out of a crouch so low that the wits used to say he scraped the resin off the canvas with his chin.

Defensively, this crouching, bobbing style made him a most difficult boxer to tag with a damaging punch. You hardly could blame an orthodox boxer for not wanting to fight this will-o'-the-wisp, whose chin never was where it legitimately should have been.

It may be interpolated here that possibly it was this bizarre and puzzling style that cost him the verdict on occasion. Many, if not most, of the judges and referees when Dave was active, were former boxers and it doubtless irked them no little to see this bobbing, bouncing phantom making some stand-up, orthodox fighter look inept. Unconsciously, they no doubt put themselves in the place of Shade's opponent and became annoyed, so much so that they said to themselves, in effect:

"This fellow has no right to do these things. Why doesn't he stand up and fight?" But, actually there was and is nothing in the rules against Shade's peculiar style.

Other fighters have tried to copy his style, but few boxers ever mastered it as he did.

Chatting in his living room at the Ocean Air that night when we met by chance after so many years, Dave illustrated why he was able to fight out of his crouch without losing any of his effectiveness.

"You see," he said, and illustrated, "no matter how deep I went into the crouch I always had my eyes on the other fellow. I knew every move he was making. When most boxers go into a crouch their face is turned to the canvas and they cannot keep track of the other fellow's moves."

"Remember the night you knocked out Jimmy Slattery and what a sensation it was?" was the writer's rather silly question. How could Dave ever forget that night.

"I knocked him out that night and I could have done it any time we met" replied the master of the crouch. "He was jabbing down at me at an angle of almost ninety degrees and all I had to do was to come up over that left of his with my right, with everything I had on the punch. I was a welterweight and he was a coming light heavyweight champion, but I could have taken him any time we ever boxed."

"How did you acquire that style?" was another and more sensible query.

"I just fell into it by necessity when I was a kid," he replied. "When I was fifteen I used to box with my two brothers, Billy and George, in a back room in our house in Vallejo, Calif. The room was so small I could not run from them.

"I was short-legged and long waisted, as I still am, and to keep them from busting me up, I did the only thing I could think of and that was to duck as low as I could get. They couldn't do much with me, even though they were much bigger and had experience and when I started boxing as a professional in the four-rounders out there I stuck to that style."

"YOU knew," Shade went on, returning to his welterweight title fight with Walker, "there was something about that fight I don't understand to this day. I remember coming to my corner at the end of the fourteenth round and my manager, Leo Flynn, saying to me: 'Dave, we have the championship in our hands. Just drink this to be sure nothing happens to you in the fifteenth.'

"And he gave me a swig out of a bottle. What it was I don't know and he never would tell me. But I do know that I did not have any recollection of what happened after I took that drink until the fight was over and I was in my corner again. He did the same thing before the last round of a fight when I had Jack Britton licked and the result was the same. I hate to say it, but I think there was something in that drink that fixed me, not good but bad.

"Leo was my manager and he got me a lot of fights and we made a lot of money, but I never did trust him. He was a deep one, even on the golf course. If you were playing golf with Leo, you had to watch him every moment. I caught him once when his ball was lost and he dropped another one down his trouser leg.

"Money was coming fast in those days. Leo and I used to play for $300 a match. He won a couple and I paid him in cash. Then I won one and asked him for the $300. He begged off, saying he did not have the cash on him. 'Alright,' I said, 'give me a check.' Leo smiled that slick smile and wrote me a check. I didn't notice until I got home and gave it to my wife to cash that he had predated the check ten years.

"'The check's no good,' I said to Irene. 'Just let me have it and take it to the bank in the morning,' was all she said. She came back with the $300. The teller had cashed it without looking at the date.

"The next day I saw Leo and he asked: 'Did you cash that check?' When I told him I had and flashed the $300 he looked like someone had stuck a knife in him."

"If you didn't trust Leo how did you come to take him as your manager?" I wanted to know.

"I didn't take him," was the answer. "He took me. And the funny part of it was that he didn't want me.

"When I was just a kid and didn't amount to a hill of beans my oldest brother, Billy, went to Australia and cleaned up all the best fighters there. George, the middle brother, also was doing all right.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING

By Ike Morales

RALPH DUPAS HAS BEEN GETTING HIS BUMPS LATELY. If not in the ring, on the managerial line.

It wasn't enough that Ralph dropped a questionable decision to Guy Sumlin recently in Mobile—a decision disapproved by the two Mobile scribes covering the fight as well as the New Orleans representative—but shortly upon his return, Dupas found himself with a new manager.

Members of the Louisiana State Athletic Commission, by a 2 to 1 vote, ruled Angelo Dundee was manager of Dupas, and that Whitey Esneault, who brought up Ralph from the amateur ranks into one of the best fighters in the welterweight division, has no further jurisdiction over the local boy's fights.

How come?

Dupas signed with Dundee in Miami before the Fernandez fight in March, 1960. The contract was to become effective when his old one with Esneault expired. Later he renewed his pact with Esneault without mentioning the Dundee incident. Both were for five years. Dupas' last big money fight in New Orleans was for Esneault against Giardello that grossed $25,000.

The boxing commission met with Whitey Esneault, Angelo Dundee, Ralph Dupas and attorneys for both managers on April 10. And following hearings from all concerned, the ring group came to a conclusion by a 2 to 1 vote that Dundee was the rightful manager. Otis Guichet and Pete Herman voted for Dundee, while Chairman Emile Bruneau refused to turn in his vote, stating the matter should be under court jurisdiction.

In the meantime, Dupas was handed a 3-month suspension and fined $500 for signing two contracts.

Oldtimers mourned the passing of Frankie Burns, the Jersey Skeeter who was one of the most popular of visiting fighters to perform in New Orleans rings back in the "Good Old Days." In all, Burns engaged in 14 New Orleans fights, his first in 1911 when he defeated Monte Attell in 10 rounds, and winding up with a 10th round knockout over the rugged Dutch Brandt in 1918. Jersey Jones has a special story on Burns in this edition of "The Ring."

The Ring Record Book reveals that between these years, Burns engaged in three world's bantamweight title fights in the Crescent City, but was unsuccessful in lifting his opponents' crown. These were with Johnny Coulon, Kid Williams and Pete Herman—all over the 20 round distance.

Andrew Tsimpides is the new wrestling promoter for the Crescent City. Joe Gunther, matchmaker for wrestling throughout Louisiana, made the announcement with the approval of the State Boxing Commission. Tsimpides and Gunther hope to revive the mat sport with big-time wrestling during the summer months.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS

By Bill McIntyre

ROPED SQUARE ACTIVITY was limited in the Ark-La-Tex area during the month of April. It got so limited that only two events of consequence were staged—an inter-city amateur boxing show at Magnolia, Ark., on April 16th and another simon pure sock-fest at Oil City, La., one week later.

A pugilistic team representing Southern (Ark.) State College won six of 13 bouts in the Magnolia fracas to outrace Bossier Boxing Club and the Shreveport YMCA in a three-team collision. In the biggest surprise of the month Southern State heavyweight Don Henson, a 220-pound footballer, thumped out a one-sided verdict over Shreveport's Pat Harrington, 1960 Louisiana Golden Gloves heavyweight champion.

The only bout worthy of mention on the Oil City card was the heavyweight go between Ed Beene, 230-pound footballer at Kilgore (Tex.) Junior College, and Lynn Farr, 210, Texarkana. Beene won a dull decision.

The month of May promises no revival, although an amateur card is booked for the Shreveport YMCA on the 13th, another at Oil City on the 20th.

NEW MEXICO BOXING BEAT

By James P. Cleary

YOURS TRULY HAS APPLIED FOR A PROMOTER'S LICENSE and by the next Ring issue we shall have out first boxing show.

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FRANKIE BURNS

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no-decision affair in New York, and a year later, also in New York, he went another ten no-decision rounds with Attell's successor, Johnny Kilbane. It was a sort of "double debut" for Kilbane, who was making his first appearance in New York and his first start as champion after relieving Attell of the laurels in Vernon, Cal.

Burns was tremendously popular in New Orleans, where he fought no less than thirteen times. Besides his meetings there with Coulon, Williams and Herman, Frankie stopped Dutch Brandt, Chick Hayes and Frankie Conway and whipped Johnny Daly, Jim Kendrick, Battling Reddy, Billy Fitzsimmons, Artie Simons and Johnny Fisse.

Aside from the decisions that went against him in his title arguments with Coulon and Herman, and the knockout registered by Kilbane in their second clash, the only official defeat listed in Burns' record was a verdict awarded to Eddie Campi after twenty rounds in Vernon in 1913. A few months later Frankie and Campi hooked up in a 15-rounder in Denver and this time the result was a draw. The following year the rivals fought on even terms in a six-round no-decision affair in Philadelphia.

Although not regarded as a knockout specialist, Burns was a punishing puncher and among the good 'uns he stopped were Packey Hommey, Young Rector, Earl Denning, Billy Marlowe, Young Zulu Kid, Dave Astey, Benny Kaufman and former title claimant Johnny (Kewpie) Ertle.

Burns' last appearance in ring combat was a sort of "sentimental gesture." Since the first million-dollar extravaganza in boxing history—the Jack Dempsey-Georges Carpentier bout—was being staged in Jersey City, it was fitting and proper that the most popular ringman the community had known should be given a spot on the card. Frankie had already been retired for eight months, but he came back for that final appearance, ending his ring career by outpointing Packey O'Gatty in an eight-round preliminary. The date was July 2, 1921.

Despite his long, active service in a gruelling profession, Burns' features were virtually unmarked when he hung up the mittens—a convincing testimonial to his exceptional boxing talents.

A smart operative outside the ring as well as in, Burns held on to his ring earnings and invested them wisely. For a while he was interested in a profitable laundry business in Jersey City, and later opened what became one of the most popular taverns there. Frankie also served for several years as a boxing inspector for the New Jersey State Athletic Commission.

A fine fighting machine and a grand personality, Frankie Burns. That he never became a world champion was a grave miscarriage of whatever justice there's supposed to be in this hard-bitten sock market.

Joe Shugrue, Burns' Stablemate, Also Dies

It was a grim coincidence that exactly one month to the day after the passing of Frankie Burns, his townsman and stablemate, Joe Shugrue, 66, should have had the final count droned over him.

Burns was already a headliner when Shugrue, not yet 16, began fighting as a bantamweight in 1910. He and Frankie were managed by another Jerseyan, Tommy Lee. A strong, aggressive little fellow, Shugrue advanced rapidly. Within two years he had grown into a featherweight, and good enough to fight the likes of Johnny Dundee, Willie Jones, Joe Coster and Eddie O'Keefe.

It wasn't so important at the time, since his opponent was a frail kid of 16, but a victory that was later to become a highlight of Shugrue's career was scored in 1912. Joe stopped Benny Leonard in four rounds at Bill Brown's Gym, in New York.

As featherweight and lightweight, Shugrue tangled with such headliners as Charley White, Philadelphia Pal Moore, Leach Cross, Phil Brock, Johnny Lore, One-Round Hogan, Sammy Robideau, Matty Baldwin and Willie Beecher. He also stopped Owen Moran in New York, and twice boxed no-decision bouts with world lightweight champion Freddie Welsh, also in New York. On a jaunt to Australia in 1914, he met Ted (Kid) Lewis, Hughie Mehegan, Milburn Saylor, Fred Kay and Herb McCoy. It was back in the United States the following year that Shugrue's ring career was suddenly cut short by failing vision. He was only 21.

After living in Waterbury for several years, Shugrue returned to Jersey City in the early '30s, and until his fatal illness had served as a truant officer for the local Board of Education. Two of Joe's brothers, Johnny and Willie, also became prominent boxers.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS

By Lew Eskin

THE FIRST SHOW PRESENTED BY PROMOTER JAMES COLLOTTO at the State Gardens in Union City may not have been a financial success, but it sure was a slambang, action-packed show, enjoyed by the 700 fans and Collotto intends to continue staging boxing cards.

In the main bout, Jersey City's Marcel Bizien, kept his local winning streak alive as he closed fast to snap the winning streak of Vic Diamond of Philadelphia at eleven straight. These two 135 pounders put on a real thriller, with referee Paul Cavalier scoring it 6-2 for Mercel.

In the semi-final Union City's Sammy Jordan, 164 captured referee Allie Todisco's vote over Willie Dante, 166, Augusta, Ga. in busy six rounder.

In fours; Hans Lauten, 134, Hillsdale, N. J. landed a beautiful right cross to kayo Randy Hillard, 135, White Plains in 1.20 of the first round; Sam Moody, 152, Paterson edged out Jim Piscane, 149, Newark in a spirited bout; Johnny Blessas, 144, New Brunswick, floored Henry Robinson, 143, Paterson in the third and gained the verdict and in another bout, "Irish" Ned Cooke, 176, Fort Lee, made his pro deput with a two knockdown triumph over Cap Morelli, 170, Paterson.

▶**TRENTON** . . . Hard punching Jethro Cason, 139½, Philadelphia floored localite J. D. Ellis, 137½, for a count in the third round with a left hook and went on to win a one-sided verdict over ten rounds. Referee Paul Cavalier had it 7-1-2 for the winner.

The rest of the card was made up of action-packed sixes. Undefeated C. L. (Cecil) Lewis of Pleasantville ran his streak to seven as he stopped Spencer Edwards, 132½, Philadelphia in the fourth. The 20 year old Lewis weighed 140. Jackie Lennon, 132, Philadelphia, outfought Willie Green, 128, Trenton, and Tom Lowry, 131, Philadelphia won over Frankie Cooper, 125, Trenton. The crowd numbered over 800.

MARYLANDS MERRY MAULERS

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

HOLLY MIMS, WASHINGTON, D. C. VETERAN WON A TEN ROUND UNANIMOUS DECISION OVER MEL COLLINS, OF TRENTON N. J. AT THE BALTIMORE COLISEUM. This was Mims third straight win in a comeback campaign. The New Jersian looked very good in the opening and closing rounds, the other eight found him holding on for dear life, which made the bout very listless. Mims came in a 154, Collins 150. 540 spectators attended paying a little over $900.00 net. The Sports Boxing Club promoted.

Bobby Hurtt, 146, of Baltimore, repeated a win over Brown Sweetcakes Lee, 140, of Harrisburg, Pa. in the five round semi-final bout. The bobbing and weaving of his opponent made Hurtt look bad but the hard fighting local lad won it with his greater number of punches tossed during the fray.

In another five rounder Jimmy Biggs, 150, of Washington, D. C. won a thriller from Charley Little, 154½, of Baltimore. The win was the fourth in a row in Baltimore for the Washingtonian, all his wins were in tossup bouts, Baltimore must be his lucky stomping grounds.

In four rounders Don Gray, 197½, of Havre DeGrace, Md. scored a two round kayo over Bob Wooldridge, 201, of Baltimore, in his debut.

Pete Flood, 164, of Baltimore, looked like a real comer by decisioning Levie Bell, 162, of Washington D. C.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY

By Al Fenn

EDDIE PACE, 153, OF LOS ANGELES was too busy for Ramon (Buffalo) Hernandez and won a 10-round decision at Phoenix. Hernandez weighed 160 and is from Hermosillo. Mario Luciano, 118, Mesa won after 1:12 of the first over Baby Felix, 123, Nogales in the semifinal.

▶**AT TUCSON GARDENS CHARLIE AUSTIN,** 156, Phoenix stopped Roque Proano, 158, Douglas in six. In the semimain, Arnie Cota-Robles, 138, Tucson stopped Ben Brown, 139, Phoenix in the second. Gene Bryant, 165, Tucson decisioned Al Andrews, 155, Phoenix in 6, and Chilo Carranza, 122, Tucson drew with Mario Luciano, 120, Mesa in 4, and Bobby Rascon, 160, Tucson lost to Laverne Williams, 162, Phoenix in 4.

▶**MANUEL ELIAS, 120, PHOENIX** dumped Pedro Gonzales, 123, Havana for an eight count in the first round, then bombed him out in 2:36 of the second at Phoenix. In the scheduled 6-round semimain Arnie Cota-Robles, 138, Tucson put Dick Rivers, 140, Phoenix away in the fourth. Johnny Featherman, 157, Phoenix, took a unanimous decision from Charlie Wright, 15, Phoenix.

▶**WILLIE ROSS WON A TKO** when Roque Proano of Douglas, already floored once, failed to come out for the third round. It was a scheduled 10-round main event. Yaqui Lopez, 173, Hermosillo stopped Bitequis Kid 168, Nogales in the fifth. A six-round duel between Bob Avery, 200, and Kid Murphy, 184, Denver ended in a draw. It was announced that Dave Furch, a 200-pound r trained by Billy Sparks was named the state heavyweight champion by the Arizona Athletic Commission.

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KING GEORGE OF CANADA

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Julio Mederos was the victim. The record book won't show that Mederos was floored twice in the second round from a left hook and right cross.

Now the youngster howled for a chance to even up matters with Howard King. The King was served up on a platter and crowned. Chuvalo's knockout record was fattened. King went out in two and Chuvalo had reversed one of his two losses.

Alex Miteff, the highly rated Argentine heavy, was imported and both he and Chuvalo fought their way to an eight round draw. Miteff was rated among world heavies sixth. This victory moved Chuvalo into the ratings in tenth place.

Chuvalo was now drawing international attention. Before going for bigger game his board of strategy thought it would be nice if he could win his country's title. The Chuvalo camp went to work to arrange a match for the Vacant Canadian title between their man and James J. Parker.

As events came to pass, Parker got the "works" from Chuvalo on the night of September 15th. George took Parker out in two minutes of a scheduled twelve round contest for the Vacant Canadian heavyweight title.

At the opening bell both sparred for a few seconds and then George barged into Parker and floored him for a seven count with a right. Parker slowly scrambled to his feet only to be banged to the canvas for a nine count with another right.

Dazed and bewildered, James J. once again made it to his feet. He was met by a swarming, two-fisted opponent who gave him not a second's respite until he had banged him to the canvas for the final count. This was the first bout in which Chuvalo had signed for a bout for more than eight rounds.

Nick-named by some of the Ballyhoo boys as 'The Croation Killer", due to his Croat ancestry, a sobriquet that may be slightly exaggerated at this stage of his development, he has nevertheless impressed most top boxing men with his potential.

To close out 1958 George met defeat at the hands of Pat McMurtry in Madison Square Garden, New York, in ten rounds. Canadian hopes were dimmed and Chuvalo was dropped from a place among the rated heavyweights of the world. His future seemed uncertain, to say the least.

He went back into hard training and began the new year by a decisive seven round knockout over Frankie Daniels in Toronto. He followed this up by a twelve round kayo over Yvon Durelle retaining his Canadian title.

Things looked brighter, but not for long. On July 19, 1960 George met Pete Rademacher and lost a ten rounder to the former Olympian. To compound his mistakes he lost a twelve rounder and the Canadian title to Robert Cleroux. Chuvalo's stock was at a new low.

In November of the same year George served notice that he was not to be forgotten. In a rematch with Cleroux he outdistanced his foe over twelve rounds to regain the Canadian heavy bauble and a measure of recognition once again. This ended his 1960 campaign. This year he defeated Alex Miteff in 10 rounds.

This fight gave his stock the boost he needed to once again receive serious consideration as a heavyweight contender. How far he will go is anyone's guess.

From the East Coast of Canada, home of the mighty Sam Langford, who never was given a chance at the title, Canada produced one of the All-time greats of boxing, George Dixon.

Canada had its heavyweight champion in Tommy Burns, who was born in Hanover, Ontario on June 17, 1881, but did all his fighting in the United States. Burns won the championship from Marvin Hart in 1906 and will be best remembered for the chase he led Jack Johnson which was ended in Sydney Australia, when Jack caught up with Burns. He took the Canadian's title away when the bout was halted in the fourteenth round by the police.

The third of Canada's champions was Johnny Coulon, the Irish-French fused Canadian who was born at Toronto on February 12, 1889. In 1908, his fifth year of professional boxing, Coulon won the U. S. Bantamweight title and two years later knocked out Jim Kendrick in 19 rounds to become the holder of the world crown. He held it until 1914 when he was knocked out in three sessions by Kid Williams.

Lou Brouillard, was the fourth world champion to come out of Canada. Born in St. Eugene, Quebec, May 23, 1911, Lou won the welterweight championship from Young Jack Thompson in 1931 at Boston, Mass. A year later he lost it to Jackie Fields and shortly thereafter began campaigning as a middleweight.

In 1933 he captured the New York State version of the World middleweight title by knocking out Ben Jeby in seven rounds. Three months later he was shorn of his crown by Vince Dundee in a fifteen round decision.

FROM THE SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK

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been fighting the longest and has had the most fights in the money ranks.

Born in San Juan, Puerto Rico nineteen years ago, he was taught how to fight by his dad, an ardent fight fan and entered the amateur ranks in 1957. He lost his first three bouts, all by decisions, but he was not discouraged and came back to win his last twenty-two in a row. In 1959 he captured the Spanish Golden Gloves 126 pound title and with it, the award as the outstanding performer.

The baby in a family of five—he has three brothers and a sister—Cruz has had fifteen fights in his short one year career, winning nine, losing three and boxing four draws. In fact three of his first five fights ended even.

Cruz who has done a lot of traveling, boxing in Buffalo, Syracuse, Montreal, Quebec City and Sherbrooke, Canada, where he made his pro debut, suffered his first loss in his ninth start when he was outpointed by Canadian featherweight champion Dave Hilton.

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BOXING IN PUERTO RICO

Mario Rivera

CIUDAD TRUJILLO, SANTO DOMINGO.—Lightweight Hector "Chino" Diaz, Santo Domingo, had no trouble in outpointing Marcos Morales, New York, in ten rounds. Eighteen year old Diaz was too clever for Morales and gained a unanimous decision. Morales was hampered throughout the fight by cuts over his eyes produced by Diaz' punishing left jabs and right crosses. Another New Yorker, Anselmo Castillo, 135, met equal fate when he suffered a TKO loss in the seventh round against Rafael Acevad, 135, Santo Domingo.

In the best bout of the evening Daniel Berrios, 135, Puerto Rico, drew with Diablo Perez, 135, Santo Domingo, in ten rounds. These boys fought at a fast clip throughout with Berrios having an apparent edge. The Puertorican was given a standing ovation by the fans for his brilliant showing.

▶ Plans are now in the making for an elimination tournament to declare titleholders in each division here in Puerto Rico. I can be reached at Box 5385, Puerta de Tierra, P.R. . . .

BOXING IN YUCATAN

By Eduardo Amer G.

MERIDA, YUC: Joe "Chino" Celis, 122, of Chetumal, making his debut in Yucatan, gained a clear cut points win over Juanito Miranda, 122, in 6. Elmer Escalante, 113, a real good prospect, outboxed Zurdo Salazar, 114, in 6. Baby Valdez, 107, and Gavilan Martinez, 108, drew in a 4-rounder. Gil Martinez, 107, decisioned Peter Cruz, 107, also in 4.

▶ **MERIDA, YUC:** Youthful Carlos Navarrete, 116, better known around here as "Zurdo Aparecido", did not have a problem to stop Manolo Ortiz, 115, in only two rounds. Rach Camara, 108, won on a technical knockout over Gavilan Martinez, 108, in the fourth. Kid Papas, 119, whipped veteran—Luis Miranda, 118, in 6 and Joe Chavarria, 122, scored a 3rd round TKO over William Briceno, 119.

▶ **MERIDA, YUC:** Elmer Escalante, 113, had to be content with a points win over Perlita de San Francisco, 113, of Campeche, after 6 fast rounds. Luis Quijano, 131, took a decision from veteran Joe Ambrosio, 138, in six. Baby Mendicuti, 108, won from Baby Valdez, 107, in four and Peter Cruz, 107, got a draw in four rounds with Relampago Kid, 107.

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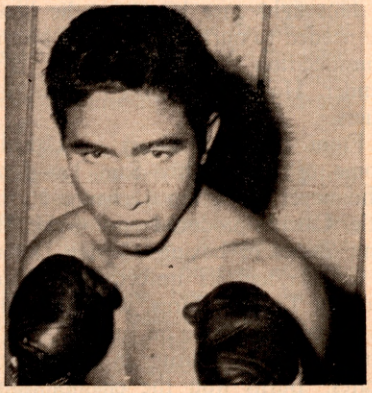

EDUARDO (RATON) MOJICA

Nicaraguan flyweight champion, Raton Mojica who has invaded the United States, hopes to get some action on the Pacific Coast where the flyweights and bantams are used frequently. He is very popular in his country.

***"I need the type of training I can get only in America,"* he says. The champion of Central America and his home land, Raton held many amateur titles before turning pro in January of 1959. He has had eighteen fights, losing only once, that to Jamaican bantamweight, Killer Solomon in his sixteenth bout. Two weeks later he reversed that loss in convincing style.**

The twenty-two year old native of Managua holds wins over Victor Asprilla of Panama, Eddie Botello of Cuba, Eddie Luna of Mexico, Lolo Mesen of Costa Rico, William Martinez of Venezuela and Adolfo Blanco of Guatamela. A good puncher for a little man, he has scored eleven knockouts.

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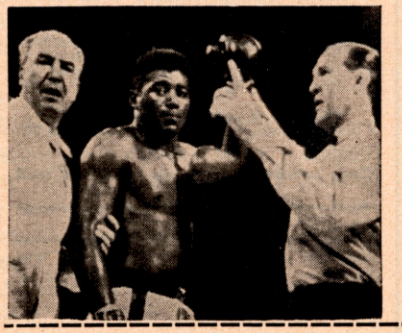

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BOXING FROM MONTEVIDEO

By Mario Laplume

DUE TO ILLNESS I WAS UNABLE TO SEND IN THE REPORT of the past two months' fights. Here are the results:

▶ Palacio Penarol—Eduardo Vidal, Uruguay, beat Julio Ferreyra, Argentina, 4. Julio Rocha, Uruguay kayoed San Joze del Pino, Uruguay, 3. Jorge Fiordelmondo, Uruguay drew with Jose Carbone, Argentina, in 8. Vincente Derado, Argentina kayoed Santos Pereyra, Uruguay, in 4.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Gualberto Gutierrez, Uruguay, kayoed Oscar Sarco, Argentina, 3. Pedro Aventi, Argentina, beat Julio Rocha, Uruguay, in 6. Rolando Sanatore, Uruguay kayoed Pedro Guevara, Argentina, in 2. Ruben Villar, Uruguay, drew with Manuel Alvarez, Argentina, in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Gualberto Gutierrez, Uruguay, kayoed Ursino Bernal, Paraguay, in 4. Rolando Senatore, Uruguay beat Juan Moriera, Argentina, 6. Ruben Villar, Uruguay, kayoed Antonio Murano, Argentina, 6.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Gregorio Gomez, kayoed Eduard Vidal, Uruguay, 6. Celmiro Rios, Uruguay, kayoed Abelardo Martinez, Argentina, 5. Enrique Fernandez, Argentina, kayoed Gualberto Fernandez, Uruguay, in 3. Euligio Caballero, Uruguay, decisioned Guillermo Cano, Argentine, 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Pedro Casco, Uruguay, kayoed Norberto, Mancuzzi, Argentina, 5. Gualberto Gutierrez, Uruguay, kayoed Ramon Barrios, Argentina, 2. Santos Pereyra, Uruguay drew with Eduardo Salazar, Argentina, in 8.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Celmiro Rios, Uruguay drew with Oscar Flores, Argentina in six rounds.

Julio Ferreira outpointed Gonzalo Leal, Spain, in 8. Jupiter Mansilla, Uruguay, drew with Carlos Miranda, Argentina, in 10.

▶ Palacio Penatol—Rene Fernandez, Uruguay, drew with Diogenes Aquino, Argentina, 6. Miguel Brizuela, Argentina, decisioned Pedro Casco, Uruguay, 6. Gualberto Guitierrez, Uruguay, defeated Oscar Lencin, Argentina, in 8. Vicente Derado, Argentina, kayoed Ruben Villar, Uruguay, in 2.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Jorge Clemente, Argentina, decisioned Ruben Sosa, Uruguay, in 4. Roque Granero, Argentina, outpointed Alvarestino de los Santos, Uruguay, in 8.

Uruguyan welterweight championship match—Jorge Peralta, Uruguay retained his title, decisioning Luis A. Magarinos in 12 rounds.

▶ Palacio Penarol—Miguel A. Brizuella, Argentina, drew with Eduardo Salazar, Argentina, in 4. Amaro Millar, Uruguay, beat Pedro Aveni, Argentina, in 8. Miguel A. Pendola, Argentina, kayoed Aldo Gomez, Argentina, in 2.

BOXING IN PANAMA

By Juan W. Copeland

AT THE PANAMA NATIONAL GYMNASIUM, Promoter Carlos Guevala gave fans 24 rounds of excellent boxing. In the main event of 10 rounds, Cristobal Gonzales, featherweight of Cuba, gave a boxing lesson to Jesus Santamaria, our champion, Santamaria was cut during the early rounds and bled profusely from the wound over the eye. Each scaled 127½. Gonzales won the unanimous decision.

In the semi-final of six rounds Esteban Santamaria, brother of Jesus, got the verdict in a hot fight, over Valentin Brown. Santamaria won a split decision that was hotly booed. He weighed 134½ to 133½ for his opponent.

Ismael Laguna, 118½ stopped Jose Pacheco, 119, in the third. After the fight Pacheco told the Commission he has retired.

Macume Santamaria, 126¾, won the unanimous decision over Beresford Francis, 126¾, in four rounds.

A beautiful trophy was given to Gonzales for his victory over Santamaria. All the Santamarias on the card are brothers.

▶ The following week, at the same club and with the same promoter, Killer Solomon, Jamaica's bantamweight and featherweight king, 117 pounds, stopped Roberto Del-Cid (Anovato), in the seventh round, when due to a severe cut, the bout was halted by the doctor.

In the six round semi-, Eligio Pontilles outpointed Manuel Moreno in four rounds then was dropped in the fifth twice and told the referee he couldn't continue, giving the fight to Moreno by a fifth round T.K.O.

Humberto Trottman dropped Cisco Kid with a terrific blow in the opening round and the Kid was counted out in 46 seconds of that round. They are bantamweights. Augustin Moreno won by a T.K.O. over Carlos Gardell in round two. Both made their pro debut.

PANAMA CITY . . . National Gym. Promoter Carlos Guevara presented Rodolfo (Tito) Marshall, 129¾, against Cuba's Cristobal Gonzalez, 125¾, in the main bout of ten rounds. After ten fast and close rounds, Marshall was awarded the split verdict for his sixth straight win.

In the semi-final six Ismael Laguna, 116, floored Ernesto Campbell, 119 in the fourth and gained a unanimous decision.

In fours: Humberto Trottman, 119¼, hit the deck in the third and he dropped a unanimous decision to Camy Beto, 116, in a good fight. Carlos Santana, 128 gained a unanimous verdict over Bredio Correa, 124 in the opening bout.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

PROMOTER SENOR DON MIGUEL DE LA COLINA HAS IMPORTED A NUMBER OF CUBAN FIGHTERS TO MEET MEXICAN TALENT. Results of all bouts staged during April were as follows:

▶Miguel Paredes, 118, stopped Monito Luna, 119, in 6. Luis Z. Uniga, 149, decisioned Negro Flores, 146, in 8. Ray Zavala, 125, decisioned Teo Roman, 129, in 6. Alfonso Lugo, 119, decisioned Ray Becerril, 115, in 6. Javier Rodriguez, 119, decisioned Beto Escalona, 119, in 4.

▶Efren Jimenez, 124, stopped Alberto Martinez, 122, in 2. Chilo Barranco, 126, decisioned Jose Luis Valdez, 125, in 10. Marcos Camacho, 118, decisioned Frijol Gonzalez, 118, in 6. Sergio Mendizabal, 117, decisioned Ceferino Manriquez, 118, in 6. Miguel Castro, 118, stopped Herminio Ceja, 117, in 1.

▶Cuban Luis Manuel Rodriguez, 146 (Luis Rodriguez), ranked third welter in the Ring's classification, stopped Alvaro Gutierrez, 147, in 5. Angel Ley, 118, stopped Cuban Jose Legra, 119, in 6. Antonio Paniagua, 112, and Ramon Estrada, 112, drew in 6. Daniel Valdez, 117, decisioned Raymundo Valdez, 118, in 6. Angel Delgado, 126, decisioned Joaquin Velezquez, 125, in 4.

▶Juanito Ramirez, 126, national featherweight champion and rated seventh in the Ring, got the decision over Cuban Ultiminio Ramos, 128, rated second in the Ring, by disqualification. It was claimed that Ramos injured Ramirez' left eye with the head. A few days later, however, the local Boxing Commission changed the decision to read a technical draw which means a sort of a no contest. Cuban Pastor Marrero, 128, stopped Alberto Soto, 128, in 2. Pato Carbajal, 125, decisioned Tribilin Duarte, 127, in 6. Miguel Nolasco, 134, decisioned Raul Mendoza, 135, in 6. Miguel Castro, 118, stopped Coreano Vazquez, 117, in 2.

▶Cuervo Salinas, 114, decisioned Mauro Miranda, 112, in 10. Gustavo Pitalua, 112, decisioned Jose Luis Dominguez, 111, in 8. Vicente Vazquez, 134, decisioned David Becerril, 133, in 6. Luis Ramirez, 119, stopped Casanovita Arroyo, 114, in 5. Othon Torres, 134, and Mario Medina, 135, in 4.

▶Eloy Sanchez, 120, and Ignacio Piña, 120, drew in 10. Juan Leyva, 136, decisioned Hilario España, 135, in 10. Elias Valencia, 153, stopped Cesareo Gutierrez, 157, in 2. Ray Becerril, 115, decisioned Sergio Mendizabal, 119, in 6. Ernesto Molotla, 112, decisioned Chino Mora, 116, in 4.

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IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porezio

SAN MARTIN.—Ignacio Magallanes, kayoed Enrique Mansilla, in the fourth round.

▶**Buenos Aires.**—At the "Luna Park" ring and for the Argentine featherweight title, Oscar "Cachin" Diaz outpointed Aldo Gamboa in 10 to win the title in a disputed decision.

▶**Chascomus.**—Undefeated flyweight Miguel Angel Botta kayoed Carlos Diaz in 3.

▶**Quilmes.**—Ex-world champion flyweight champion, Pascual Perez, outpointed Juan C. Moreyra in 10.

▶**Temperley.**—In the bantam class, Carlos Perez outpointed in 6 rounds Pedro L. Guevara and in the light division, hard punching Juan Rolon outpointed Placido Fernendez in 10.

▶**Buenos Aires.**—At the "Luna Park" ring, in the welter class, undefeated Ramon La Cruz won on points in 10 rounds, over Juan Carlos Volardez.

▶**Cordoba.**—Pedro Benelli and Hugo Juarez, drew in 10 rounds. They are lightweights.

▶**Mendoza.**—Two good prospects in the feathers division, Roberto Palavecino and Raul Vargas, drew in 10 rounds. The decision was very disputed.

▶**Rosario.**—At the "Norte" ring, Raul Roldan, local welter champion, won by a T.K.O. in six over Alejandrino Rojas.

▶**Tucman.**—In the welter class, Antonio Rivera outpointed in 10 rounds Luis Roldan.

▶**Bahia Blanca.**—Edgardo Badino, lightweight, won by disqualification in the fourth over Cesar Farias.

▶**Santa Rosa**—Hugo Danielli, local champion in the middle class, drew in 10 rounds with Ubaldo Sacco.

▶**Parana.**—Ex-Argentine and South American champion in the middle division, Andres Selpa, outpointed Cesar Pereyra in 10.

▶**Mar Del Plata.**—In the middle class, Miguel A. Paoz won by a T.K.O. over Omar Astudillo in two.

BUENOS ARIES.—At Luna Park, Uruguayan lightweight, Santos Pereyra, won on points in 10 rounds over Manuel Alvarez, ex-Argentine feather champion.

▶**San Pedro.**—In the fly class, Pascual Perez kayoed Pablo Sosa in 3. Perez won easily.

▶**Mendoza.**—In the ring of the Associacion Mendocina de Box, Carlos Aro, Latin-American champion in 1959, in the feather class, won by a T.K.O. in the eighth round, over Lujan de Flores in his pro debut.

▶**Alaver.**—At the "9 de Julio" ring, Ignacio Magallanes, middleweight, won by a T.K.O. in fourth round over Ignacio Mansilla.

▶**San Justo.**—In the welter division, Tufi Gomez won by a T.K.O. in ninth round over Juan Villagra.

▶**Rosario.**—In the welter class, undefeated Juan Carlos Juncos won by points in 10 rounds over Alberto Billaflor.

▶**Arrecifes.**—In the light class, Pedro Rivero kayoed in second round Hector Miranda.

▶**Temperley.**—Welterweight Wenceslao Gallardo outpointed Orlando Salas in 8 and in feather class, Victorio Cespedes won on points in 10 over Jose Casas.

▶**Tucuman.**—At the "Villa Lujan" ring, in the light division, Segundo Frias outpointed Julio Mendez in 10 and in the welter class, Juan Carlos Roldan kayoed Florencio Cordoba in the first.

▶**Bahia Blanca.**—In the light class, Edgardo Badino won by disqualification in the third round over Cesar Farias and Francisco Sarmiento kayoed in the fourth Carlos Rosano. They are feathers.

▶**Arrecifes.**—In his first pro bout, featherweight Adolfo Tomaselli kayoed in fourth Gonzalez Neyra, from Chile. Tomasselli was Argentina's representative in the bantam weight in the Olympic Games of Melbourne.

▶**San Luis.**—At the "Sporting Guay-Curu" ring, featherweight Eloy Funes, outpointed Tito Lucero in 10.

▶**Mendoza.**—At the "Asociacion Mendocina de Box" ring, lightweight Guillermo Cano, outpointed in 10 rounds Amorindo Amicuzzi.

▶**Rosario.**—In the lightheavyweight class, Antonio Diaz outpointed Antonio Monnez in 10.

▶**Quilmes.**—At the "El Porvenir" ring, and in the heavy class, Hector Martinotti in his second pro bout, outpointed Aurelio Diaz in 10.

▶**Pergamino.**—Argentine representative in the lightweight class in the Olympic Games of Rome, Abel Laudonio, now undefeated as a pro, kayoed Roberto Fiorenza in the first.

▶**Parana.**—Jose Maria Claria, outpointed Roberto Montenegro in 12 to win the welter title.

▶**La Rioja.**—The veteran middle weight Alfonso Moreno won on points in 10 rounds over Anibal Reyes.

▶**Cordoba.**—Lightweight Ramon Prieto outpointed Rito Lopez in 10 and Ricardo Falech outpointed Alfredo Paz in 10.

▶**Tucman.**—Antonio De Leo won on points in 10 rounds over Juan "Kid" Roldan. They are weletrs; Juan Carlos Velardez, welter champ, drew with Jose Eccli in 12 rounds in a title bout.

▶**Mal Del Plata.**—At the "Bristol" ring, Ubaldo Sacco won by a T.K.O. in fifth, over Alberto Billaflor. They are middles.

▶**Mendoza.**—At the ring of the "Association Mendocina de Box", middleweight Ubaldo Sacco drew in 10 rounds with Francisco Gelabert.

▶**Temperley.**—In the feather class, Victorio Cespedes drew in 10 rounds with Oscar Vargas and in the bantam class, undefeated bantamweight Miguel Pezoa outpointed Ubaldo Duarts in 8.

▶**Villa Lynch.**—Undefeated lightweight Abel Laudonio won by a T.K.O. in fourth over Alberto Rodriguez.

▶**Cordoba.**—Hard punching lightweight, Pedro Benelli, won by a T.K.O. in fifth over Juan Campos.

▶**ROSARIO**—In a bout for the local feather title, Alfredo Bunetta won by a T.K.O. in fifth over Pedro Miranda.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA.**—Hard puncher in the middle class, Juan Carlos "Rocky" Rivero lost by disqualification in fifth after Andres Selpa.

NEWS FROM CUBA

By Dr. Jorge A. Vieites

BOXING CONTINUES TO BE THE MAIN SPORT IN CUBA. Many new faces have come to the front recently, but the chief interest rests in the Cubans who are making boxing history in the States. The loss of the crown by Benny Kid Paret to Emile Griffith in Miami recently saddened the Cuba sports fans who had hoped that Benny would would retain his welter title. Here are the latest results:

▶**Havana.**—Jose (Chico) Veliz, 126½, scored a knockdown in the 4th of a ten-rounder to gain the unanimous verdict over Orlando Castillo, 127¾.

Wilfredo Hurst, 148½, scored a 7th round T.K.O. over Jesus Gonzalez, 146½, in another tener.

Julio Veitia, 131½, drew in 6 with Israel Napoles, 131¾.

Manuel Manuel Mora, stopped Joel Morales in 3. They are feathers. Luis Toca, 147, won in 4 from Pedro Diago, 146½ and Juan Flores, drew in 4 with Anisio Zaldivar.

▶**Havana.**—Juvenal Minguez, 129½, lost his first pro-fight to Mexican Carlos (Marinerito) Celis, 126½, by a split sensational tener.

Santos Menendez, 128 won easily in 8 from Julio Veitia, 126¾.

Humberto Silveira, stopped Antonio Zaldivar in 5. Delfin del Rio drew in 4 with Joaquin Cervantes. Felix Garcia won on a foul in 3 from Jose Menchu.

▶**Havana.**—Juan A. Chacon, 144, stopped former welter cuban king Miguel (La Diabla) Diaz, 150, in 1.20 of round 2. This will probably mean curtains for Diaz.

Juan Mena, 128, won a very good eight rounder from Valentin Rodriguez, 128, in a very fast fight.

Arcadio Alvarez, 134, stopped Pablo Torres, 138, in 5.

Esteban Lopez, 116½, won in 4 from Lazaro Canizares, 116; Baby Louis, 124, stopped Tirso Rodriguez, 120, in one, and Luis Toca, stopped Casimiro Buides in 4.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ONLY THREE BOXING SHOWS were staged in this cotton territory during the last month and all the three were outside of Torreon, the main city. It seems that the last "fight" against (?) Toluco Lopez and Mario Diaz was a real bad thing for Torreon boxing.

▶**ARENA "LERDO", LERDO CITY:**—Marvin Carter, 136, Washington youngster, went ahead with his great campaign as he whipped hard hitter Miguel Orona, 133, in ten rough heats. Keep an eye on this Marvin kid because he will go places very soon.

In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, Humberto "Beto" Martinez, 125, the skinny feather of Gomez Palacio, put to sleep veteran Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 128, in the third round. Rest of the card: Jaime Macias, 128, halted Fernando Lopez, 127, in three; "Popo" Arellano, 128, stopped Luis Antunez, 132, in the second; Antonio Macias, 125, decisioned Manolo Gonzalez, 126, in the 4-round preliminary.

▶**ARENA "CUENCAME", CUENCAME:**—Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 118, kayoed "Cubanito" Gonzalez, 122, in nine rounds. Tony Coronado, 147, iced Julian Valdez, 148, in the third heat. Enrique Castillo, 115, knocked out Salvador Chong, 112, in four. Eloy Sanchez II, 117, bested Carmelo Cortez, 119, in four rounds.

▶**ARENA "OLIMPICA", GOMEZ PALACIO:**—Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 128, and Paulino "Kangaroo" Araujo, 127, drew after ten rounds. The bout was a poor one, without any class. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, newcomer Javier "Sugar" Zatarain, 126, easily kayoed veteran Felipe Sosa, 130, in the fourth round. Mario "Pollo" Ramos, 133, embalmed Eulogio Martinez, 132, in the very first round. "Popo" Arellano, 127, bested Lupe Mendoza, 125, after six rounds. Carmelo Cortez, 118, whipped Pilo Guash, 119, in the 4-round preliminary.

▶**CARDENAS:**—Jesus Contreras, 130, better known as "Perico Pobre" (Poor Parrot), stopped Pepe Velazquez, 132, in the sixth round. "Gato Blanco" (White Cat), 128, iced Baby Arturo, 125, in the early second round.

▶**OBREGON:**—Rudy Corona, 125, The River Yaqui Torpedo, kayoed lightweight Tony Gutierrez, 129, in the fifth heat. Tony Corrales, 139, bested Ramon Mayoral, 140, in ten.

▶**VILLAHERMOSA:**—"Negrito" Dominguez, 122, got the duke over Fernando Hernandez, 120, in ten rounds. Angel Jimenez, 124, kayoed "Negrito" Rodriguez, 119, in the fourth round. Manuel Gallegos, 123, halted Chavo Guzman, 122, in the sixth.

▶**MATAMOROS:**—Pablo Cabrera, 125, decisioned Jose Luis Cepeda, 127, in ten. Nicolas Reyes, 120, outscored "Torito" Montes, 121, in other tenner. Juan "Sordomudo" Viesca, 126, the deafmute veteran, beat "Cachorro" Mendoza, 128, in eight rounds.

▶**CARDENAS:**—Roman "Paletro" Jiminez, 125, outpointed Porfirio Diaz, 126, in ten. Habanero Kid, 125, stopped Jose de los Santos, 124, in the fifth round.

▶**OBREGON:**—Francisco Cancio Cansino, 138, stopped Tony Corrales, 140, in only three rounds. Tony Perez, 145, kayoed Sonny Swanson, 147, also in three heats. "Canqui"

Guerra, 118, whipped Gustavo Leyva, 122, in eight.

▶ **JUCHITAN:**—Rolando "Ventarron" Mendoza, 135, kayoed Alfonso Kumazawa, 129, in the last round of their scheduled tenner.

▶ **ACAPULCO:**—Juan Ibares, 119, Guerrero State Bantam King, knocked out Alex Jimenez, 117, in the second round. Ernesto Beltran, 126, won by disqualification over Pepe Silva, 125, in the fourth heat.

▶ **MONTERREY:**—Julio Zuniga, 126, halted gallant Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 127, in only three rounds. Cain visited the canvas twice before the finish. Raul de la Rosa, 117, kayoed Miguel Hernandez, 117, in the eighth round.

▶ **GUADALAJARA:** — Anselmo Hernandez, 126, outpointed Rigo Guadarrama "Queretaro Kid", 128,, in the 10-round main event. Alfredo Sanchez, 126, decisioned Heliodoro Hernandez, 125, in other tenner.

▶ **REYNOSA:**—"Chamaco" Perez, 122, bested "Chato" Soriano, 123, in ten rounds. Jose Moreno, 122, and "Gallito" Uribe, 121, drew after ten rolls.

▶ **MEXICALI:**—Hector Agundez, 123, easily handled washed-up veteran Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 125, and he finally knocked out the ex-famous Wild Indian in the seventh round. Maybe this was the last for the man. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, Tony Vazquez, 125, put to sleep Danny Medrano, 126, in the second heat. Lucio Arreola, 128, and Babe Huerta, 126, drew after 8 rounds.

▶ **TUXTLA:**—Rolando "Ventarron" Mendoza, 133, won over Manny Sanchez, 129, in ten rounds.

▶ **JUAREZ:**—Hilario Morales, 147, easily whipped Dallasite Curtis Cokes, 147, in ten rounds. Emilio Medina, 125, bested Luis "Mananitas" Sanchez, 127, in ten. Margarito "Tacuba" Uribe, 123, decisioned Freddie Rodriguez, 123, in six rounds.

▶ **MATAMOROS:**—Little Charlie, Carlos Hernandez, 119, the best card near the border, put to sleep Al Wilcher, 123, in the fifth round. Little Charlie floored his man twice. Jesus "Chucho" Gonzalez, 124, and "Chamaco" Martinez, 122, fought to a 7-round no contest.

▶ **MONTERREY:**—Babe Lopez, 116, kayoed "Chaparro" DeLeon, 117, in only two rounds. Memo Ruiz, 123, stopped Bobby Bell, 125, in the seventh.

▶ **PARRAL:**—Pedro "Vetarra" Rodriguez, 135, got a 10-round very split decision over Pedro Perez "Chihuahua Kid", 133.

▶ **GUADALAJARA:**—Adolfo Holguin or Olguin, 135, and "Chico" Rodriguez, 135, drew after ten rounds. Jesus Celes, 136, whipped Julio "Kid" Ramos, 130, in ten.

▶ **LEON:**—Veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 133, kayoed Kid Guanajuato, 135, in the third heat. Marcelo Gonzalez, 121, bested Juan Salazar, 119, in ten rounds.

▶ **ACAPULCO:**—Henry Macias, 125, kayoed Roberto "Charrito" Gomez, 120, in only three rounds. Nicolas Sanchez, 124, stopped Panchito Espinosa, 125, in four.

▶ **MOCHIS:**—Don Johnson, 125, Los Angeles, scored a very booed 10-round decision over little Mexican Cuban Manuel Armenteros, 120, the Bantamweight who takes on all weights to get a fight. Joe Valdez, 125, upset Rudy Corona, 123, in the 10-round semi. Freddie Felix, 125, kayoed veteran Epigmenio "Pimi" Barajas Jimenez, 124, in four rounds.

▶ **OAXACA:**—"Cubanito" Gonzalez, 126, decisioned "Raton" Perez, 122, in ten rounds. Raciel Mendoza, 121, bested Esteban Reyes, 120, also in ten heats.

▶ **MAZATLAN:**—Lefty globe trotter, Ignacio "Kangaroo" Pina, 119, got the duke over young Moi Torres, 124, after ten rounds full of action.

▶ **ZACATECAS:**—The fans threw bottles, chairs and pillows into the ring and referee David "Chato" Velasco was forced to stop the fight between Rodolfo Caballero, 126, and David Rodriguez, 127, in the seventh round. The decision was a technical draw. By the bye: this Velasco man is the same former National Welter Champion who lost his title with glorious Kid Azteca during the early thirties.

▶ **VILLAHERMOSA:**—"Negro" Rojas, 148, put to sleep "Poblano" Estrada, 145, in the ninth round. Ariel Rios, 124, beat Miguel Mayo, 122, in the 10-round semifinal. Antonio Gomez, 113, iced Freddie Diaz, 112, in the very first round.

▶ **SAN BUENAVENTURA:**—Glamour boy Mauro Vazquez, 146, now a full welterweight, kayoed Samuel "Universitario" Cantu, 148, in three rounds. Ruben Rivera, 130, halted "Azabache" Reyes, 129, in the eighth heat after flooring him 8 times!

▶ **REYNOSA:**—Joe White, 146, stopped Bernardo "Borrado" Flores, 148, in the fifth round. Joe threw downed his foe three times. "Ardilla" Garcia, 125, bested Jose Luis Cepeda, 126, in ten rounds.

▶ **FRESNILLO:**—Ruben "Potro" Jiminez, 122, stopped Manuel Solis, 121, in four rounds.

▶ **VILLAHERMOSA:**—"Negro" Vela, 120, stopped Battling Garcia, 123, in the third round. Juan Garcia, 120, whipped Ramon Perez, 119, in ten.

▶ **MATAMOROS:**—Apolonio Salinas, 111 Reynosa, got the 12-round duke over Chuy Rodriguez Espinosa, 112, Matamoros, in a fight scheduled for Tamaulipas State Flyweight Championship. The defeated one visited the canvas twice. Kid Gallardo, 126, bested veteran Juan "Deafmute" Viesca, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶ **TAMPICO:**—Rafael "Torito" Mota, 119, surprised everybody when he easily kayoed local favorite Raul Barcelo, 120, in the fifth round of their scheduled tenner. Tomas Guevara, 118, outscored Ray Tabares, 120, in ten.

▶ **GUADALAJARA:**— Anselmo Hernandez, 124, won the 10-round decision over Panchito Macias, 125. Evaristo Perez, 128, kayoed Ruben Ramirez, 127, in the ninth heat. Vicente Garcia, 112, outpointed "Chilango" Gomez, 111, in other tenner.

▶ **MONTERREY:**—Arturo Vazquez, 117, scored a clean 10-round decision triumph over Luis Jimenez, 116. "Pulga" Garcia, 125, kayoed Panchito Villa II, 127, in three.

▶ **OAXACA:**—Former Olympic Games fighter, Vicente Saldivar, 132, kayoed veteran "Cachorro" Meza, 130, in the third heat. The washed-up oldtimer visited the floor three times. Ray Garcia, 127, stopped "Cepillo" Benitez, 125, also in three rounds.

▶ **OBREGON:**—Andres Garcia, 133, in a real great and bloody fight, knocked out brave Francisco Cancio, 136, in the third round.

▶ **ACAPULCO:**—"Chatito" Ochoa, 118, Colima, keyoed Zurdo Arce, 117, in only three rounds.

▶ **MONCLOVA:**—The upset of the month! Jesus "Chuy" Guerrero, 118, local idol, got the duke over Ernesto Barrera, 115, National Flyweight Champion, after ten rounds full of action. Manuel Botello, 130, kayoed "Ebano" Jasso, 132, in the sixth round.

▶ **REYNOSA:**—Hermenegildo "Gildo" Vargas, 128, outscored Juan Perales, 129, in ten rounds. Rene Matamoros, 127, kayoed Sixto Manez, 126, in the very first round.

▶ **TUXTLA:**—Manny Sanchez, 130, decisioned Roberto Cornejo, 128, in ten rounds.

▶ **VICTORIA:**—Monterrey Joe Lopez, 125, kayoed Memo Ruiz, 126, in the ninth round. Jose Ramirez, 118, stopped Mario Gonzalez, 119, in the fifth heat.

▶ **MONTERREY:**—Veteran Humberto Martinez "Kid Anahuac", 133, won by disqualification over Angel "Robinson" Garcia, 135, Cuba, in the third round. A butt was the cause. . . . Eliseo Garcia, 126, stopped Pablo Cabrera, 125, in the seventh round.

▶ **GUADALAJARA:**—Gildo Montoya, 135 Jalisco State Lightweight Champ, upset tough and rough Santiago Ramirez, 132, Cuba, in ten rounds. Jesus Celes, 135, won again the 10-round decision over Julio "Kid" Ramos, 130.

▶ **OBREGON:**—Felix "Pelon" Cervantes, 127, kayoed David Camacho, 133, in the third round. Ramon Castelum, 138, stopped Tony Lopez Smith, 136, also in the third heat.

▶ **CULIACAN:**—Joe Valdez, 125, only needed but one round to put to kayo Miguel Paredes, 122.

▶ **NUEVO LAREDO:**—"Pajaro" Gonzalez, 123, stopped veteran Felix "Firpito" Gaytan, 120, in the seventh round, after flooring him four times. Manuel Galvan, 121, bested "Chamaco" Martinez, 122, in ten rounds. Moi Jasso, 126, kayoed Francisco Bernardino, 126, in the second round.

▶ **OAXACA:**—Javier "Pelirrojo" Vazquez, 125, halted Miguel Juarez, 124, in the sixth round. Rafael Ayala, 119, whipped Ben Dominguez, 121, in ten.

▶ **TEPIC:**—Sergio Gomez, 134, decisioned Indio Fernandez, 136, in ten rounds.

▶ **MOCHIS:**—Freddie Felix, 125, kayoed Bobby Bell, 125, in only two rounds.

▶ **TIJUANA:**—Ramon Perez "Kid Irapuato", 126, local idol, had to work very hard to get the 10-round duke over hard hitter Rudy Coronado, 125, Guadalajara.

▶ **REYNOSA:**—Adolfo Olguin, 135, decisioned "Pollo" Gabino, 132, in ten rounds. "Guero" DeLeon, 132, beat Delfino "Fino" Rodriguez, 128, in other tenner.

▶ **JUAREZ:**—Edmundo "Mundo" Esparza, 119, former top mosquito and now a real grown up bantam, scored a clean cut triumph over Herman Marquez, 120, Stockton, after ten rounds. Margarito "Tacuba" Uribe, 122, whipped Panchito Gonzalez, 121, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶ **LEON:**—Aaron Nucamendi, 130, Chiapas, stopped Angel "Negro" Flores, 129, in the sixth round. "Alacran" Torres, 121, under the management of Jose Becerra, the former world Champion, got the duke over Kid Celaya, 124, in ten heats.

▶ **GUADALAJARA:**—Another real upset in the province! Moi Torres, 124, local boy, arose from the canvas to knock out brave sailor boy Javier Garfias, 120, in the sixth round of their scheduled tenner.

▶ **ACAPULCO:**—"Chivete" Martinez, 115, won eight rounds, to score a clean cut decision over "Chocolate" Rodriguez, 113, Mexico City, after ten heats. The semifinal was also between mosquitoes: Lorenzo Cruz, 112, kayoed Raul Huerta, 113, in the fifth.

▶ **CULIACAN:**—Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 126, the pride of Sinaloa State, got a 10-round draw with famous topnotcher Jose Luis Cruz, 128, Mexico City favorite. The fans booed the verdict because they believed that Fino was the real winner. Joe Valdez, 124, bested Patricio Petatan, 123, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶ **MOCHIS:**—Pastor Gonzalez, 125, only needed but one round to send "Mayico" Robles, 123, out.

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IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA

By Archie Pirolli

PHILADELPHIA'S HAROLD JOHNSON, LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED HIS NEWLY ACQUIRED NBA TITLE when he stopped local rival, Von Clay, in the second round at the Phila. Arena. (See story covered fully in this issue.)

In other bouts: Bobby Douglas, 142, Philadelphia's latest prospect, KO'd Tony Christy, 139, Pittsburgh, in the fifth round.

Johnny Alford, 157, Phila., scored a one round knockout over Johnny Clyde, 152, Philadelphia; Stanley Hayward, 155, Phila., defeated Gaylord Barnes, 155, New York, in six rounds; Charley Sgrillo, 135, outpointed Billy Anderson, 138, in four; Ike White, Phila., 157, won over Willie Davis, 156, Phila., and Leslie Smith, 180, beat Pat Roberts, 175, Cambria A. C.—Jimmy Soo, TKO'd Steve Haywood, 135, Baltimore, in one minute, three seconds of the sixth round. Soo completely outclassed Haywood, gave him a terrific beating, flooring him in the first round with a left to the head. This was part of an eight-round co-feature. In the other, Sidney (Sweet Pea) Adams, 142, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Willie Stevenson, 139, Boston. Adams floored Stevenson with a left hook to the jaw in the fourth round, but the Boston lightweight fought back furiously and won the seventh round and finished on even terms in the last stanza.

In other bouts: Johnny Alford, 162, Phila., KO'd Al Phillips, 162, Phila., 2:26, first; Jerry Brewer, 132, Baltimore, decisioned Rick Conti, 125, Phila. (6); Fred Cozart, 129, Haynes City, Fla., decisioned Charley Branch, 126, Phila. (6).

▶ **ALHAMBRA:** Mel Middleton, 130, Philadelphia, had little difficulty hammering out a unanimous ten-round decision over Chuck Taylor, 132, Detroit. The bout promoted by Jimmy Riggio for the Roxborough Kiwanis Club, drew 800 spectators, who paid $2,114, gross. Taylor had to be coaxed to try harder at times by referee Joe Sweeney, never could get an offense going.

In other bouts, Percy Manning, 136, Phila., knocked out Fred Clifton, 136, Wilmington, Del., in the fourth; Tony Palestini, 133, Phila., decisioned Joe Myers, 141, Chester, four rounds; Marvin Gordon, 171, Phila., TKO'd Jimmy Bailey, 178, Phila., third round, and Clarence Collins, 156, Phila., decisioned Mel Fulham, 162, New York, six rounds.

▶ **CAMBRIA A.C.**—Orie Paschall, 152, Phila., scored a major upset when he TKO'd Don Warner, 185, Phila., at 1:05 of the fourth. Paschall, with five pro fights, surprised Warner (10-4-1) in the opening minute when he floored him with a left hook. Warner took the mandatory eight count, then was staggered twice more before the first round ended. Paschall dominated action in the second and third, weakening his opponent considerably with heavy body attack. In the fourth, Paschall had Warner defenseless in a mutual corner when the referee stopped it.

In other action: LeRoy Roberts, 151, Norristown, decisioned Walter Presley, 152, Phila., in four; Johnny Mohnke, 165, Norristown, drew with Joe Cooper, 161, Phila., in four, and Tom Lowry, 131, Phila., decisioned Willie Green, 130, Trenton, in six rounds.

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JORGE FERNANDEZ HISTORY

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Americano with a 9-round T.K.O. over me. However, the commission doctor and the severely dented groin protection cup testified to the fact that I had been fouled."

One of the saddest moments of his life occurred when Fernandez saw his best friend, former middleweight of Argentina Eduardo Lausse, suffer a T.K.O. at the St. Nick early this year at the hands of Marcel Pigou, of France. A sentimental chap, Jorge was downhearted over his countryman's catastrophe.

Jorge also experienced an unfortunate incident in the same boxing arena. This occurred directly before he came under the management of Singer. The fighter dropped a highly unpopular ten-round duke to Emile Griffith there. Fact is, a poll taken at the press row revealed eleven boxing writers voted Fernandez as the winner, only one for Emile. So incensed were most of the spectators over what they considered an unfair decision, that they booed, stamped their feet and yelled insults at the officials. Bottles, wet newspapers and chairs were hurled around the ringside.

WANTS CRACK AT THE TITLE

"The bitter memory of having been so coldly done out of the decision," informs co-manager Frankie Jacobs, who also works as cashier at the Fame Steaks restaurant, *"probably caused Jorge to lose his return bout to Griffith at the Garden. Plainly our boy's heart wasn't in the fight. Jorge felt let-down. He was discouraged. He suspected he would get the works again, no matter by how big a margin he won. It's a terrible feeling for a fighter to carry into the ring, especially when facing a good opponent."*

That, perhaps, was why Fernandez, following his losses to Griffith, fought an uninspired bout against Stefan Redl at the St. Nicholas Arena shortly afterward, though winning handily.

Thus, his confidence restored, Fernandez waged an entirely different battle against the then top-ranking welterweight contender Denny Moyer. He jabbed sharply, blocked punches—or moved away from them. On occasion Jorge staggered his foe with power-packed wallops and shifted his attack from head to body with telling effect.

"In Buenos Aires, a year after Pereyra took a 15-round decision over me," informs Fernandez, *"I evened the score with him. Beat him in ten. It is my aim to do likewise with Emile Griffith. Actually, I am more deserving of a crack at his title than any other challenger. The reason why is obvious."*

Though July 4th is not celebrated in Argentina, fireworks exploded there on that day in 1959, when Jorge clashed with boxer-puncher, Federico Thompson and dropped a hotly contested ten-rounder to him. Jorge seeks no return match with his conquerer for Thompson now seems to have faded out of the welterweight picture by losing to Ted Wright.

Fernandez has two pets in his Argentina home—a dog and a canary. His most prized possession is a pair of boxing gloves with which he won his first professional contest. He owns a Chevrolet automobile. *"But I hope, in due time, to turn it in for a Cadillac,"* he adds, grinning.

LOOKS ARE DECEIVING

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reached the same goal. Marciano never lost a fight. Tunney lost only one, to Harry Greb, a mauler and a slapper. And yet Greb was a mucular, well build individual.

The same can be said of Johnny Dundee. Johnny never stood still long enough to deliver the big blow. The well put together ex-featherweight champion was a fighter of the hit and get away school, who would bounce off the ropes and never failed to give the customers a good show.

Among the little men, Panama Al Brown was a freak. He was world bantamweight champion, standing well over six feet, and weighing only 118 pounds. I saw him only once, in a non-title fight with Vernon Cormier in Portland, Me. Brown played with the sturdy club fighter until the command came from his corner: "Now." Then and there he exploded his right, and the fight was over in the fourth round.

Size alone doesn't make a man a puncher. Primo Carnera, for all his 240 pounds, couldn't dent a cream puff with his right hand. Maybe nobody can. Maybe it's like punching your way out of a paper bag. I've never seen anybody try to dent a cream puff.

On a hot summer day Lew Jenkins, an Army sergeant, showed up in the training camp of his fellow Texan, Roy Harris, at Arrowhead Springs, California. This was the same Lew Jenkins who was lightweight champion of the world. Jenkins can be described as skinny and a person seeing him for the first time would conclude he was basically a fancy boxer.

Jenkins was anything but. He was a terrific puncher. He broke Mike Belloise's ribs and starting with Primo Flores and ending with Lou Ambers scored eight straight knockouts. Like Baer, Jenkins was playboy. He was a favorite in bar rooms all over New York and it was inevitable he would be knocked out by Henry Armstrong, and out mauled by Sammy Angott.

Even today when you shake hands with Jenkins it is like picking up a piece of iron. Lew, a hero of two wars has the silver star, and another year to go for an Army pension. He is happily married, and the bright lights no longer lure him to the nearest saloon. He has his memories, and the fans have their's. Pound for pound nobody ever hit harder than Lew who is now in Germany.

Jimmy McLarnin was called *"baby face."* They still talk of his destructive force. Ruby Goldstein, Sid Terris, Al Singer and Benny Leonard met destruction at his hands. Eventually slight built Barney Ross beat him on speed alone. McLarnin got split with Tony Canzoneri each winning a fight. They were alike in that both could box as well as punch.

Of the present day fighters, Joe Brown combines the same talents. He is lanky with long arms, and has demonstrated he can both knockout and outpoint an apponent. Like Brown, Archie Moore, light-heavyweight king, is a skillful boxer, who can deliver a decisive blow.

Floyd Patterson, world heavyweight king, is deceptive in appearence. In street clothes he might be taken for anything but a fighter. There are telltale marks, and he looks slender in his well-tailored suit. Stripped down, his broad shoulders and long arms are revealed. Some say he is the fastest hitter in the ring today.

Nobody would suspect Jake LaMotta of being anything but what he was, a fighter able to take punishment. His thick neck is set well down on his shoulders, and he demonstrated time and again he could stand up under heavy blows. Willie Pep, on the other hand, was all speed and skill. Willie actually appears frail. Henry Armstrong was deceptive too. He might have been taken for a power puncher. Instead he relied on stamina alone, sending one blow after another until, as so often happened, his opponents collapsed from exhaustion.

All fighters have courage. They differ, one from the other, only in degree, but some are more skillful than others. Some punch harder, and some are light hitters. It is almost impossible to judge their talents by their appearence.

Tony Galento is short and fat, and yet he could stiffen a foe with a left hook. He had Louis hurt in the first round, and down in the third. He was only one punch away from the world heavyweight championship, and he got there without troubling to train.

Fighters come in all shapes and sizes, and none of them can punch their way out of a paper bag. A book can't be judged by its cover, and neither can a fighter by his outward appearence. He's good, bad or indifferent, depending only what he does inside the ropes.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE passing of Frankie Burns recalled the time the late Frank Hague, mayor of Jersey City and Democratic party boss of New Jersey, sponsored a fight card as part of a ballyhoo campaign for Teddy Edwards, his candidate for state governor.

It was back in 1919, and sports-minded Hague arranged for the world featherweight champion, Johnny Kilbane, to meet the local idol, Burns, in an eight-round no-decision bout on September 16 at old West Side Park, home of the Jersey City International League baseball club. The main event was supported by a strong preliminary card featuring local favorites. It was a real bargain bill for the public, with only two ticket prices—$2 ringside and $1 general admission.

Hague expected a turnout of perhaps 20,000, but for one of the few times in his flamboyant career he miscalculated. There was no professional boxing in New York at the time, and the show had a magnetic appeal not only to Jerseyans but to the Big Town fans as well. The rush on the ball park was terrific, and Hague learned, much to his embarrassment, that he hadn't assigned enough police to handle the mob.

The official attendance was announced as 46,800, but the actual total was even larger. With insufficient police available, there is no saying how many non-paying customers crashed the gates or scaled the fences, but there must have been a couple of thousand at least, and the total turnout for the show was generally estimated at 50,000. It represented the largest assemblage ever reported anywhere in the world for a boxing card up to then. The mark was eclipsed two years later, also in Jersey City, when more than 80,000 mortals jammed into the vast, sprawling wooden bowl built for the occasion by Tex Rickard at Boyle's Thirty Acres for boxing's first million-dollar spectacle between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier.

How much of a role Hague's promotion played in the forthcoming gubernatorial race, we wouldn't know, but the tremendous publicity "Teddy Edwards' Night" received certainly didn't hurt the chances of Hizzoner's candidate. Seven weeks later Edwards was elected.

The one regrettable development of an otherwise notable occasion was the sacrificing of Frankie Burns on the altar of a political campaign. Then 30, and a veteran of more than 150 battles spread across a dozen years of industrious ring activity, Frankie was a fading memory of his once formidable self, and Kilbane disposed of him in the fifth round—the only knockout ever registered against the most popular fighter Jersey City has known.

THESE AND THOSE.

Of all the candidates mentioned so far for the proposed job of Federal Boxing Commissioner, we don't know of any more qualified than Abe J. Greene of Paterson. The New Jersey sock market was in a mournful mess during the late '30s when Abe was appointed state boxing commissioner, and he did a fine job of cleaning up the debris and restoring conditions to a more normal status. Since then, through his years of service as President and now Commissioner of the National Boxing Association—plus his regular routine duties as editor of the Paterson News—Greene has kept himself well informed of ring conditions throughout the world, and if there's anything in the business he doesn't know, it just isn't worth knowing.

From out San Francisco way we hear that veteran promoter and matchmaker Benny Ford is back in circulation with a brand-new organization, the Golden Gate Boxing Club, with offices at 431 Eddy Street.

Despite a series of annoying postponements and miserable weather, hustling Jack Barrett is continuing to do a bang-up job of staging fights for Promoter Pedro Martinez in Buffalo. Barrett has been fortunate in having an exceptionally fine crop of local talent to play with. He's already developed lightweight Jackie Donnelly and middleweight Rocky Fumerelle into headline attractions, and is enthused with the progress of several other youngsters he's been nursing along.

On a brief jaunt to New York, Sid Flaherty took time out to tell us that Phil Moyer, elder of the two middleweight brothers, has quit the ring to manage one of the family's drive-in theatres in Portland, Oregon. Younger brother Denny plans to continue fighting a while longer.

HERE AND THERE.

Rustem Bey, 62, who died recently in Chatham, N. J., was the son of the late Mme. Hranoush Aglaganian Bey, who operated the noted Mme. Bey's training camp. The camp still is functioning, her assistant, Ehsan, having taken it over when Mme. Bey died in 1942. Rustem Bey had been with the Chatham police force for 33 years, and chief for the last 20.

On the subject of obituaries and training camps, those who knew and liked him were shocked at the report from Miami Beach that Harry H. Cohen, 60, had committed suicide. Harry managed his father's Stanley Hotel in Lakewood, N. J., when Max Schmeling and Joe Louis trained there for important bouts, Schmeling for Paulino Uzcudun in 1929 and Louis for his first episode with Schmeling in 1936. When the Stanley Hotel burned down some ten years or so ago, Cohen shifted to Miami Beach and managed a couple of hotels there. Apparently things hadn't been going too well with him. Despondency over financial matters was given as the cause of his suicide.

Nothing springs more eternal than the optimism of a fight manager or promoter. Despite the discouraging conditions in the current local sock market, a Long Island combine, headed by Jimmy O'Rourke, is giving boxing a trial at the spacious 12,000-seat Commack Arena, near Hempstead. How long the operations will continue depends on the public's response to the first few shows.

THE month's results:

Continuing his drive for a chance at the world middleweight championship, Dick Tiger, 160¼, Nigerian holder of the British Empire title, blasted his way to a knockout of Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, 159¾, Chicago, at 2:41 of the sixth of a nationally-TV'd bout at St. Nicholas Arena. It was Webb's first start in 14 months and he couldn't have been given a tougher opponent for his return to ring warfare. The ring-rusty Chicagoan was unable to hold off Tiger's savage assaults, and was dropped in the second and twice more in the sixth. On the final knockdown, Referee Arthur Mercante started to count but at two he realized the futility of it all and waved an end to the bout. It was two minutes before the Commission physician and Webb's handlers were able to revive the Spider. It was the first knockout chalked up against Webb in 40 professional outings, and definitely established Tiger as No. 1 challenger for both sections of the disputed world title.

Tony Hughes, 204½, Cleveland, outpointed Attilio Tondo, 190½, Suffern, N. Y., in the semi-final six. Another scheduled six ended in the fifth with Bob Wong, 160½, Boston, stopping Marty Pettiford, 157½, Rahway, N. J. Pete Mello's promising 18-year-old Puerto Rican, Frank Narvales, 135, accounted for his third professional win by beating Ruben Santa, 132½, another Puerto Rican, in four. In the opening four, Johnny Tucker, 159, Brooklyn, won from Jules Owens, 161, Jacksonville, Fla. Attendance 1,568; gross receipt $3,621.93.

In a substitute bout, arranged on two days' notice, Obdulio Nunez, 159½, Puerto Rico, hustled and bustled his way to a decision over Harold (Babe) Simmons, 164½, Westbury, L. I., in a hard-fought if unspectacular ten at St. Nicholas Arena. The match was hastily arranged when both Joey Archer and Willie Green, the original headliners on the club's regular weekly card, reported with injuries.

Nunez won by outlasting his opponent. Simmons did well enough for a few rounds with clever boxing and snappy punching but he tired as the bout progressed and Nunez, with his busy, two-handed aggressiveness, gradually forged to the front. Simmons bled from the third round on from his nose and a cut over his left eye. It was Nunez's 20th win in 23 pro outings and Simmons' second defeat in 15.

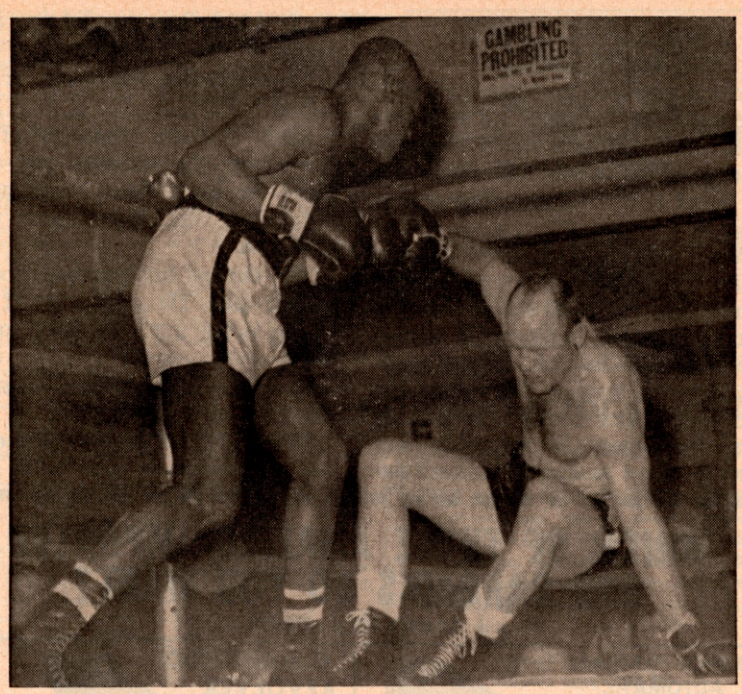
In an all-West Indian semi-final six, Jose Rigores, 120, Cuba, was an easy winner over Angel Coloncito, 122, Puerto Rico. In fours, Herschel Jacobs, 168, White Plains, decisioned Clarence Ryan, 170¾, Newark, N. J.; Jose Anero, 139½, Puerto Rico, won from Lucius Allan, 140, Harlem, and Sigmund Wortherly, 160¾, Harlem, outpointed Tommy Settles, 157½, Jamaica, L. I. A turnout of 1,061 contributed a gross of $1,764 to the box-office.

Climbing all over his neighborhood rival with the enthusiasm of an eager amateur —and with just about as much technique— Joey Donovan, 139, Astoria, punched, pushed and mauled his way to a decision over the veteran Johnny Busso, 139¾, in a scrambling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Donovan set such a busy pace from the start that he fought himself into near-exhaustion and barely lasted to the finish. He was staggered twice in the tenth round but succeeded in stumbling through to the final bell.

It was a rough night for Busso. Not only did he lose the decision, but his purse, $1,324.49, was attached by the Internal Revenue Department for alleged non-payment of income taxes.

A real surprise was uncovered in the semi-final six when former amateur ace, Vince Shomo, 148, Harlem, suffered his first pro defeat in six starts. He was on the receiving end of a robust lacing from Walter Daniels, 148, Bronx. In another six, Ricky Ortiz, 145, Puerto Rico, decisioned Pete Toro, 146, Bronx. One of the fours was a continuation of a "feud" between Julius Libonati, 158, Brooklyn, and Felix Santiago, 160, Puerto Rico. It was their fifth meeting in four months at St. Nick's, and by winning Libonati went ahead in the series with two wins, two draws and one defeat. In the other four, Heriberto Kercado, 131, Puerto Rico, stopped a fellow-islander, Ramus Parrea, 128½, at 1:56 of the final frame. The best crowd and largest receipts of the regular Monday night schedule at St. Nick's were reported, 1,678 customers paying $3,456.36.

Unbeaten in 17 bouts as a light-heavyweight, and finding it difficult to enveigle other leading 175-pounders into the ring with him, Doug Jones of the West Side invaded the heavyweight ranks and celebrated the occasion by demolishing Pete Rademacher of Grandview, Wash., and Columbia, Ga., at 0:54 of the fifth at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout, one of several Madison Square Garden's Saturday night TV offerings transferred to St. Nick's while the Garden was taken over by the annual spring stay of Ringling Bros. circus, drew a turnout of 1,688 and gross box-office business of $3,835.50.



Unbeaten Doug Jones stepped out of light-heavyweight class to try his luck against heavyweights. Built up to 182 pounds, he spotted 17 pounds to former Olympic champion, Pete Rademacher. The venture was a success. Jones knocked Rademacher down four times and won by a knockout in fifth round.

Jones scaled 182 for the occasion, but several pounds seemed superfluous. At that he spotted 17 pounds to Rademacher, who weighed 199. For three rounds it was a rugged punchfest, the rivals taking turns at bombing each other. Jones suddenly took charge of operations in the fourth. Jolting Rademacher with stiff left jabs, Doug suddenly dropped in a right to Pete's jaw. Down went the 1956 Olympic champion. Groggily he stumbled up at the eight count, but was promptly knocked down again, the bell clanging at six with Pete on his knees. At the start of the fifth a left-right combination sent Rademacher tumbling to the canvas once more. He took a count of eight, but a series of lefts and rights dropped him again, and this was the finish.

The semi-final six was over at the end of the second, Harold Smith, 136, Washington, D. C., getting credit for stopping Johnny Bean, 128, Brooklyn. Another six also was abbreviated when Wilfredo Avelez, 185½, Puerto Rico, disposed of Sam Jones, 198, Detroit, at 0:24 of the second. In fours, Clarence Ryan, 168½, Newark, N. J., outpointed Johnny Pitts, 173½, Harlem; Tony Fortunato, 151, Bronx, won from James Thorne, 151, Harlem; Genaro Soto, 129, Puerto Rico, halted Milt Suliveres, 124, Westfield, Mass., at 1:26 of the first, and Norman Smith, 137½, Washington, D. C., drew with Jack Kelly, 138½, Harlem.

Mike and Ike hardly looked more alike than Billy Pickett, 161, White Plains, and Johnny Morris, 159¾, Pittsburgh, and their almost identical styles resulted in an unexciting ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Because he displayed slightly more aggressiveness than his opponent, Pickett was the winner. After a couple of slow rounds, in which there was more clinching than fighting, action began to speed up somewhat in the third, with Pickett taking the initiative. Billy fought at a fairly steady pace most of the way while Morris did his punching in flurries. Both boys were shaken up several times, with Pickett accounting for the more damaging blows. He hurt Morris in the fourth and again in the tenth, but was too slow in following up his momentary advantages.

Gil Diaz, 143½, Puerto Rico, out lasted southpaw Ronnie Cohen, 144, New Rochelle, in a rough, free-swinging semi-final eight. Both boys were careless at times with their punches and were guilty of hitting low. In fours, Heriberto Kercado, 130½, Puerto Rico, decisioned Tony Tozzo, 127, Bronx; Mike Cruz, 136, Puerto Rico, won from Davey Ross, 136, Jamaica, L. I., and Lucius Allen, 141, Harlem, stopped Guillermo Talavera, 143½, Puerto Rico, at 2:46 of the second. No statistics were released, but the Monday TV'd card drew about 1,000 clients and a gate of about $1,800.

Away from local rings since 1956 and national TV since 1957, Joey Giambra, 156, Buffalo, fought like a tired old man in losing to Yama Bahama, 158, Bimini, in a clever but unspectacular ten at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout pitted against each other two stylish boxers of almost similar styles, but Bahama was the more aggressive and used a snappy left jab to keep Giambra off-balance most of the way. When the Buffalonian did display any initiative, his outbursts were usually smothered by the shifty West Indian. Realizing he was losing, Giambra staged a strong finish and scored effectively in the final round, but his rally came too late. The defeat checked Giambra's latest winning streak at eleven, compiled mainly in California, Texas and Buffalo.

In a pair of sixes, Johnny Tucker, 156, Brooklyn, won from Frankie Olivera, 154½, Puerto Rico, and Al Dublin, 133, Brooklyn, was credited with a kayo over Borough rival Herbie Cornitcher, 136, when a severe cut on Cornitcher's forehead prompted the referee to call a halt at 1:49 of the first. In fours, Lucius Allen, 138½, Harlem, had the better of Jose Andero, 139½, Puerto Rico; Bobby Copeland, 143½, Buffalo, decisioned Carl Hamilton, 147½, Harlem, and Billy Bello, 147½, Bronx, demolished Freddie Butts, 144½, Portland, Me., at 2:37 of the third. A turnout of 1,244 accounted for gross receipts of $2,369.31.

Appearing in a New York ring for the first time since 1954, a faded Vince Martinez, 152½, Paterson, N. J., celebrated his return by getting a lucky split decision over a recent arrival from Argentina, Miguel Angel Aguero, 155½, in a scrambling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Most of the spectators felt that Aguero, a crude but rugged free-swinger, was the winner, and when the decision for Martinez was announced, they displayed their disapproval by hooting and howling and littering the ring with debris. Aguero forced the action all the way, and his wild swings had Martinez in trouble several times. Vince, scarier than ever, retreated, clinched and retreated again. Occasionally, the Paterson veteran would throw a few punches, scoring with brief flurries of jabs, hooks and uppercuts, but for the most part he was on a skittery defensive, with the unskilled but eager South American chasing after him. The Argentino was credited with the only knockdown of the bout when a looping right caught Martinez off-balance and sent him skidding to the canvas in the eighth round.

Tito Velez, 151, Brooklyn, edged out Frank Sallee, 148½, Cleveland, in the semi-final six. In fours, Estella Cruz, 131, Puerto Rico, won from Tony Tozzo, 129, Brooklyn; Jackie Kelly, 140½, Harlem, decisioned Gino Jose, 139½, Puerto Rico; Clarence Ryan, 170, Newark, N. J., outfought Johnny Pitts, 174, Brooklyn, and Bob Foster, 176, Washington, D. C. beat Bill Johnson, 179, Harlem. The

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JABS AND JOKES

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radio and television programs and in his appearances on the stage, his audiences found him most amusing. During his training camp periods, he usually was the life of camp. He truly was a playboy.

When he fought Joe Louis and was getting the worst of it, it required considerable persuasion on the part of Jack Dempsey, who was in his corner, to keep Livermore Max in line. When he returned to his stool at the end of the third round after taking a shellacking from the Brown Bomber, Dempsey shook his head in disgust at the manner in which Baer was fighting and remarked:

"You're better than he is. Prove it to him."

Ancil Hoffman, manager of Max, throughout the minute's rest period, wiped the blood from Baer's face and just before the ten seconds whistle blew, said.

"Go out and toss punches. Sock him on the jaw. He can't take it there. You're doing fine. He isn't touching you."

Looking Ancil in the eyes, Baer peevishly replied:

"Well Pop, if he isn't hitting me, you better keep an eye on the referee because somebody is in the ring knocking hell out of me."

Baer was knocked out in the next round.

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

TRAINER ANGELO DUNDEE HAS FOUND THE FORMULA FOR ALLEN HARMON. Campaign the fighter as a light-heavyweight. This successful strategy paid off for them both in Harmon's second clash with Billy Ryan, trained by Charley Goldman and a protege of former heavyweight champ (retired) Rocky Marciano. Recently at Miami Beach, Ryan came off the canvas in the first round to win a hard-earned split decision. This time, Harmon with extra weight on his frame made it sure that Billy stayed down by attacking the midsection first and following later with hard rights to the jaw. After two knockdowns, Harmon planted Ryan for keeps in less than half of the opening chapter. The winner, from Jamaica, weighed 168½, and the loser, from Brockton, Mass., tipped 174. In the prelims, Billy Favor, 165¼, scored in four rounds with Willie Taylor, 170. Tommy Stru, 195½, was another decision winner, a four rounder over Al Owens, 177¼. Sammy Burgess, at 134, was held to a four round draw by 128-pound Santos Flores. Cedric Dennis, 134¾, with the looks of a promising youngster, had to be satisfied with a four round split decision over Bobby Allen, 132¾. Frankie Carr, 151½, took four from Harry Belefonte in their prelim. Harry at 151. Sugar Cliff, another young boxer with promise, 148½, won a sixer from Lee Irwin, 146¼.

▶ Joe (Duffy) Harrington, former Jacksonville boxing manager, suffered a heart attack in Miami, writes Hank Kaplan but is now on the road to recovery.

▶ Jimmy Brady, former lightweight star some years ago, is high on his Nassau welterweight, Sugar Cliff, who, on the Emile Griffith-Benny (Kid) Paret welter title card, displayed the stuff to win the sixer from Ike Vaughn, of Cincinnati, after the main event at Miami Beach.

▶ Doug Vaillant, 137, the Cuban speedster, who is rated number five lightweight in June Ring Magazine listings, proved he deserved his standing with a 10 round decision over the heavier Kid Rayo (upset winner over Gaspar Ortega), when they met in Miami Beach. Doug shot punches from here and there and befuddled the Nicaragua 145 pounder most of the way. The prelims were tops. Marty Kaplan, 162½, was held even in six with Johnny Belton, 167½. Perfecto Garcia, 137, stopped John Riccio, 140, in three. Vince Marino, 149½, took a four from Willie James, 150. Frankie Carr, 150, grabbed four from Harry Belafonte, 151½. Grady McLendon, 126¾, and Santos Flores, 128½, were even after four. Billy Favor, 161, beat Joe Jones, 161½, in a four. Chris Dundee promoted.

▶ Wendell (Fig) Newton acted as sparring partner and did rather well against the feared Sonny Liston who was preparing for his Miami Beach bout with Howard King. Satisfied by his showing Newton turned pro on the card and won a decision over Al Owens.

▶ Best prospect it seems down Miami Beach way is welterweight Sugar Cliff, of Nassau, who has a 15-win streak, no defeats record.

▶ Please send your boxing notes and news on Dixie to: Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

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BOXING NEWS-FROM HAWAII

By Yamachika

BABY BROWN, 124, OF THE PHILIPPINES DEFEATED RAY SALAZAR, 120, of Los Angeles in a 10 round fight held at the Civic Auditorium. The fight was a hard fought battle which saw Brown's experience and superior boxing ability prevailing over Salazar's youth and terrific stamina. Brown's win was a unanimous one.

The card, promoted by the Boxing Enterprizes, Ltd., drew 1,342 fans and grossed $2,296.25.

▶ Bobby Higa, 129, drew against Harold Mara, 133, 5 rds. William Castillo, 146, TKO'ed Jerry Young, 152, in the 4th and final rd. James Costa, 124¾, beat Larry Dingui, 123¼. 4 rds. Greg Carrejo, 138½, TKO'ed John Mauga, 139¾, in the 2nd of 4.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

TCN CHANNEL 9 PRESENTED THE FIRST TELEVISED STUDIO TITLE FIGHT on April 14 when JACKIE BRUCE, Australian flyweight champion, defended his title against former champion ALAN GIBBARDS before some 300 persons at 9's Sidney studio. Gibbards won a good fight on points. His margin was large but a KO from Bruce always was in the air and this tended to make the fight exciting.

The bout was fast from the start, with southpaw Gibbards on the backmove and aggressive Bruce on the forward march. There wasn't a knockdown but Gibbards made the mistake of standing and mixing it in the ninth round, with the result he was a very shaky lad when he returned to his corner. From the tenth to the end of the 15th round Gibbards resorted to fast boxing as he had done in the first eight rounds.

Former world bantamweight champion (retired undefeated), Jimmy Carruthers did a good job as referee. Judges were former Empire and Australian lightweight champion Jimmy Kelso, former Australian triple champion Hughie Dwyer, former light and welter champion Sid Godfrey and former referee Les Pearson.

The whole show was well presented.

Although Channel 9 claimed that this was the first televised fight held in a TV studio in Australia, it was not. CTV (Victoria) presented a ten-rounder and two fours on a bill at their Richmond (Melbourne) studios on March 2, 1957 but the TCN show was the first in which a title bout was staged.

▶Australian lightweight champion GEORGE BRACKEN has lost a few bouts to overseas fighters, but he remains dynamite to Aussies. At the Melbourne Festival Hall on March 10, George upended Australian featherweight champion WALLY TAYLOR with one solid right to the jaw in the third round.

▶Reg Layton, who trains Taylor, tried again, this time with GARY COWBURN, long Bracken's number one contender. Gary and George came together on April 7. Cowburn made a shaky start but got going well in the fourth and outboxed Bracken in that frame and the next but made a mistake in the sixth, he mixed it when he was stung. George landed a left hook and down went Gary. Up and in a dazed condition, he ran into a right and referee Terry Reilly tolled ten.

▶After some weeks of running boxing on Thursday nights, Sydney Stadium reversed to Monday, with better results. The first Monday-return featured Australian middleweight champion PETER READ and American welter JIMMY WATKINS, 149½, with Read, 155, gaining a close points decision.

▶At Sydney Stadium, Australian bantamweight champion JOHNNY JARRETT knocked out featherweight PASQUALE CURCIO in the tenth round. Jarrett was ahead when he landed the KO.

▶You never know in the fight game. At Sydney Stadium, JOHNNY JARRETT tangled with Filipino featherweight TIGER WILLIE, a game, walk-up fighter. In the ninth round a left hook crashed on Jarrett's jaw and down he went. He was on the ropes after rising and stopped a right on the jaw. Referee Vic Patrick rightly stopped the fight and crowned Willie. Jarrett was very dazed.

▶TIGER WILLIE had his second Australian contest, this time at the Brisbane Festival Hall, opposed to sharp-shooting Aussie featherweight DAVID FLOYD. It went the full 12 rounds with Floyd winning every round and the decision.

▶Former Australian bantam and feather champion BOBBY SINN (he was in the world ratings in 1954), is fighting periodically away from the big cities. On March 17 he met OLLIE TAYLOR at Rockhampton. Ollie, brother of Wally and former top amateur, was having his second pro start. Taylor won on points over 12 rounds. They are feathers.

▶LENNIE BURNS, once a leading contender for the Australian featherweight title, is in the throes of a comeback as a junior lightweight. He is 25 years of age. He retired in November 1955, made a comeback for one fight (he drew with Dave Craig) in January 1958, then did not fight again until February 23, 1961. (Then it was that he met DAVE CRAIG in the headline ten of a triple bill at Sydney Stadium. Lennie was ringrusty and won only the first and last rounds. Craig won the rest.

▶Burns met CHARLIE BELL in an eight-rounder supporting the Read-Watkins fight and in the best bout of the year in Sydney, he knocked out Bell in the sixth round.

▶At Sydney Stadium on April 10, LENNIE BURNS met LUIGI EVANGELISTA in the ten-round semi-wind-up. Burns again looked good and his defense was excellent. He finished off Evangelista in the fifth round.

One week later he tangled with LES McLEAN, himself making a comeback after several months of retirement. Burns was lethargic and was stopped in the second round after hitting the floor for the third time.

The two other tens on the Craig-Burns bill resulted: IRWIN STROMMINGER (170½) KO 7 MERV COBB (189); BARRY BUTLER (165½) KO 9 BILL STEINOKEL (173½). Both were very good fights, with Butler revealing the best form. He boxed and fought very well.

▶At Wagga (NSW), BARRY BUTLER knocked out DOUG BEER in the seventh round of a fight for the vacant NSW State light-heavyweight title. Butler was superior in all departments. A couple of weeks later Butler went to Corryong and outpointed heavyweight BILL ELLIS in a good fight.

▶Melbourne Festival Hall featured an international welterweight bout on top of the bill on February 24. Smart-boxing Australian KEITH LEWIS looked very good in knocking out German migrant KARL WAGNER in the third round.

▶Same night Brisbane also held a welterweight main-event, but between two hard-fighting Aussies. Queensland State champion LAURIE LATCH proved too strong for Sydney welter RON SMITH, but it was a whale of a fight. Referee Les Parker called a halt in the seventh round and crowned Latch.

▶One month later Brisbane Festival Hall staged a bout between LAURIE LATCH and KEITH LEWIS. This developed into the best bout of the year in Brisbane, with Lewis gaining a hairline decision. A return should pack the Festival Hall.

▶YOUNG MACKA had a hard fight to outpoint BOBBY LIDDLE at the Melbourne Festival Hall. His margin was very clear but the courageous Liddle made him fight all the way.

On April 14, prelim welter JACK KRISS got his chance in being matched with Liddle in a main bout. Kriss grabbed the opportunity with both hands and stopped Liddle in the tenth round. Kriss is a comer.

▶Italian BRUNO VISINTIN continues to do well in Australian rings. At the Melbourne Festival Hall he halted Filipino TERRY FLORES in the third round and called all the shots.

▶Featherweight COLIN BELL continues to upset the dope by winning at every start (he's lost only one since September 1958, and that one he reversed). Colin upset the dope again by stopping DICKIE WHITE at Sydney Stadium on April 10. But is was an injured hand which forced White out of the fight at the end of the fourth frame. At the time there was little difference in the points.

▶Sydney Stadium featured a double bill—two twelve round bouts—on March 9. In a featherweight fight KEVIN BELL knocked out YOUNG VICTOR in the sixth round; in a middleweight mill DON JONES knocked out STAN PEDRO in the seventh. Victor showed some sharp hitting and decked Bell twice, but when Bell landed a dream right in the sixth Victor went down in a daze and referee Vic Patrick called a halt.

Jones and Pedro turned on a wild fight, with Pedro sopping up everything Jones could throw without showing effect—until the seventh round. Then a right landed on the jaw and down went Stan for well over ten seconds.

▶Brisbane Festival Hall also featured a double bill during the month. GEORGE FLEMMING drew with ERIC MUNRO in a war that had the crowd standing and SHORTY RIGBY knocked out CALVIN KYLE in ten rounds of the other half and showed good form. Munro is three pounds over the lightweight limit. The others are lightweights.

▶One week later Brisbane staged a triple bill of tens, two of them featherweight fights. In one, LES CECIL showed outstanding form in knocking out veteran SABBY CONN in two rounds; in the other KEN CURRIE looked good in outpointing ROD STANFORD. (The other ten was between junior lightweights GEOFF BUNNEY (getting his chance after a short prelim career) and veteran WARREN POWELL. Bunney won on points in an interesting bout.

▶On April 7, at Brisbane, JACKIE TRESHMAN, the best flyweight in Australia, took two punches to knock out elongated SPARROW HUDSON. Sparrow started fast, then ran into a left hook and was decked. When he got up he ran into an aggressive Treshman who feinted once then landed with another left. Exit Sparrow.

In another 12-rounder on the same bill, LES CECIL outpointed ROD STANFORD.

Final result of the month comes from Melbourne—date, March 24. GUIZANI REZGUI outpointed ALDO PRAVISANI in a very tame fight.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

TONY HERRERA, 122½, made it twenty straight at the expense of Pedro Morales, Tijuana, 123½, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. He was off to a slow start, but began to rattle and roll in Round 4 and maintained that pace until capable Lee Grossman, the referee, halted hostilities, in the 7th, hoisted Herrera's mitt and sentenced Morales to an early shower.

Tony Herrera—how many of the readers hereof remember that very capable lightweight of the same name, thirty years ago? And, on the subject of Herrerras, the very old-timers still worship the memory of Aurelio Herrera of San Jose, considered by many experts the hardest puncher, pound for pound, that ever crushed rosin in the ring.

Back to the present: There were two six-rounders. Beto Maldonado, 124½, drew with Quan James, 120½ (full name Quandary?)—and Ralph Moore, 142, decisioned Earl Basting, 141. Basting got a pasting. The fours: Wicho Morales, 128½, KO (3) over Kid Velvet, 128½, and Paul Anderson, 165, dec. Tony Martinez, 167.

▶ A neighbor of mine recently borrowed the June, 1954, issue of The Ring. I was rather curious to know why. He said it was to settle a bet: He had wagered a friend that American prestige was at its lowest ebb, pugilistically. He wanted to compare the World Ratings, made by our mutual friend Nat Fleischer—one of the most interesting features of The Ring Magazine. Why the June, 1954 issue? He just picked it at random.

You may be interested in his findings.

In the June, 1961 issue, here is how Americans fared—In the heavyweight class, there are six, including the world champion; lightheavies, eight, including the champion; middleweights, seven, including the champion; welters, four, including the champ; lightweights, six, including the champ; feathers, two, including the champ; bantam, none whatever, and flyweights, ditto. Total: Americanos, 33.

In the June 1954 issue: Americans, heavyweight division, six, including the champ; light-heavies, seven, including the champ; middleweights, ten, including the champ; welters, nine; lightweights, nine, including the champ; feathers, seven, including the champ; bantam, two; flyweights, none. Total, Americanos, 50.

H'mmm. I don't know what this proves, except we're going backward. Or maybe the rest of the world is going forward.

▶ Smart ballyhoo, plus the fact that San Francisco is a great sports center, attracted a gross gate of $31,347 to the Cow Palace, where Eddie Machen, 191½, scored a one-sided victory over Mike De John, Syracuse, 216½. On hand, a crowd of more than 6,000.

It had been heavily publicized that Machen, if he defeated De John decisively, would be awarded a title match with Floyd Patterson. Well, there was no question about the victory: Referee Matt Zidich voted 6-3; Judge Jack Silver, 8-2 and Judge Johnny Lotsy, 8-1, all for the Redding scrapper.

Patterson himself helped the ballyhoo by his pronounciamento a week before the fight that "Machen deserves the change." Well, as much as most of the so-called contenders—if you overlook Sonny Liston.

In only one round—the 4th—did De John loom as a danger; he staggered Machen, or stunned him, whichever expression you prefer. But from there on, it was all Machen.

All that remains now is for Cus D'Amato and TelePrompTer to agree with Patterson that "Machen deserves the chance." There are varying schools of thought on that. A kayo win might have helped Machen's cause considerably. (Patterson won't back away from that match.)

In the semi-final, Lou Molina, San Jose 140-pounder, highly regarded in the city which gave Aurelio Herrera to the world, sent Harold Hutchinson, 142, to the showers in Round 3.

Other bouts: Amos Lincoln, 210, Portland, KO (4) over Otis Fuller, 187, L. A.; Thad Spencer, 183, Portland, KO (3) over Roy Smith, 187, L. A., and in the opener, Eddie Shaw, 182, dec. Elmer Jincaid, 188.

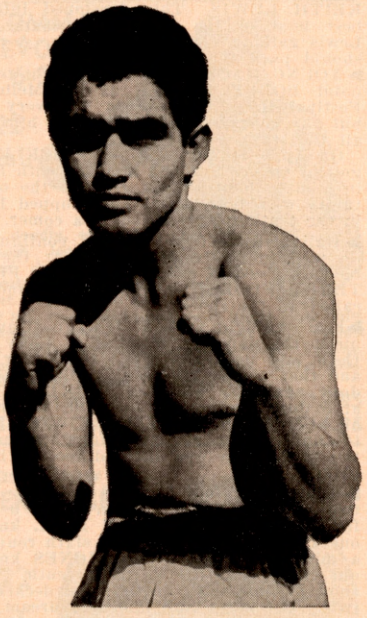
▶ Sorry to miss that Willie Ritchie testimonial dinner at the San Francisco Elks Club. I've known Willie for many, many years and always respected him as an upright, conscientious citizen. But I was in Chicago on a special job for Abe Saperstein and the Harlem Globetrotters.

▶ L. C. Morgan, a title threat in both the lightweight and welter ranks, racked up his fifth straight win at the Olympic Auditorium at the expense of Joey Parks, Omaha lightweight—this one by a first-round knockout. It was non-televised, had been billed for ten. Parks, back in '59, had faced lightweight boss Joe Brown twice, drew with him once. Aside from that, his record did not deserve immortality.

In the televised ten, Pulga Serrano, 129, won the unanimous decision over Joey Serrano, 130. Although unanimous, Serrano's triumph was not completely one-sided. The scoring: Referee Russ Bradford, 8-3; Judge Frankie Van, 7-2, and Judge Tommy Hart, 7-4.

In the six-round semiheavy Frank Bradbury, 145½, dec. Pablo Lucerno, 145. The four-round opener: Lucky Murphy, 201, dec. Dave Plair, 182—after being dropped twice.

▶ Bobo Olson is listed among the Top Ten of the World's light-weights in The Ring, June issue—and yet he was denied a license to box by the State Athletic Commission of



Tony Herrera, undefeated youngster who ran his winning streak to twenty. It was the fourth win of the year for him when he stopped Pepino Morales in seven rounds.

California. Well may you ask: "Home come?"

Well, here's how-come: the rejection was based on Bobo's failure to honor contracts for fights in 1959 and 1960 in California—once against Sonny Ray, twice with Spider Webb.

▶ Big Jim McCarter, 222, recently signed by Willie Ketchum, hence a stablemate of Davey Moore, the world featherweight champ, celebrated the occasion by getting up from the canvas to win a split 10-round verdict over Floyd Joyner, 198, in the non-TV feature at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A.

The scoring: Referee John Thomas, 5-4; Judge Joey Olmos, 8-4, both for McCarter; Judge Dick Young voted for Joyner, 6-5.

In the televised ten, Eddie Garcia, 131½, scored a 9th round kayo over Billy Walker, 130½. Garcia was in front all the way. The six-round semi was won by Ralph Moore, 141½, over Frank Bradbury, 146½.

Four-rounders: Julius Garcia, 160, brother of the main eventer, scored a 1st round knockout over Billy Walker, 158½. It was his first start as a pro. (Incidentally, the Billy Walker who was flattened in this one was no relation to the Billy Walker who was knocked out by Senor Garcia in the ten-rounder. Just a couple of coincidences.)

▶ If you read that story by Red Smith about Paul Pender dropping his veteran pilot, Johnny Buckley—the man who steered him into a portion of the world's middleweight championship—I wonder if your reaction was the same as mine.

Of course, I'm a prejudiced witness, having known Buckley for more than 35 years.

▶ Joe Lyou, boxing writer of The Mirror, comes up with a novel suggestion borrowed from a former very capable lightweight named Eddie Marcus. As everyone in Southern California knows, the Olympic Auditorium in L. A. presents two ten-rounders every Thursday night: one televised, the other, non-TV. The non-televised affair is, presumably, the big attraction.

Marcus told Lyou, and Lyou told his readers, that what matchmaker George Parnassus should do is change his program. Instead of a four-rounder opener, a six-round semi and two tens, he should put on four four-rounders, a six, and one ten.

"There's a shortage of good main eventers," argued Mr. Marcus. "How can they develop new fighters if they put on only one four-spot each week? Why not put some of the old-time fighters on one of the four-rounders? Take my own case: I couldn't go ten, but I think I could step a pretty fast four. Why, even Art Aragon would fight again!"

It's an idea, isn't it? Well worth mulling over.

▶ "Tamer than his nickname" Tiger Al Williams, 159—that's how John de la Vega of The TIMES describes him—won a disputed verdict over Neal Rivers, 163, in the non-TV portion of the Olympic Auditorium program. Referee Joey Olmos voted 4-3, Judge Jack McDonald, 5-3, both for Williams. Major Jimmy Wilson disagreed, rather violently, tabbing Rivers 6-2.

The TV ten was a quickie: Irish Wayne Thornton, 163¼, flattened Toro Saenz, 163, in Round 2. It was in Round 2 that Thornton knocked out Karl Heinz Guder in his debut here a few weeks earlier. A left hook, right-cross cambo floored Saenz; he took the mandatory eight, but he might as well stayed down. A hard right cross put him down for the full count, seconds later.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Quan James, 123½, knocked out Zeke Perez, 125½, in the fourth. The four-round opener: Phil Barba, 137, dec. Speedy Nunoz, 139.

▶ Ralph Gambina, manager of Cisco Andrade, brought back convincing proof that Cisco Andrade got a raw deal in Manila when the oddly named Nursery Kid was given the duke over him. Ralph had clippings from two Filipino newspapers roundly panning the verdict.

The Filipino writers said the decision was so bad that they were ashamed of it.

▶ The old Manassa Mauler hit print again, following his TV interview with Senator Estes Kefauver. He said, quote: "I only wish we had a few more men who would stand up for the boxing game and put it back where it was in the old days," said Mr. Dempsey.

(Seems to me I remember somewhat similar quotes about boxing in the days when Dempsey was side-stepping old Harry Wills.)

▶ At the luncheon celebrating the signing of the contracts between heavyweight Zora Folley and lanky Alejandro Lavorante of the Argentine, little Pinky George of Des Moines had himself a time picking on TelePrompTer.

He was quoted by Bud Furillo, clever columnist of the Herald-Express, as saying: "Out of the ashes of the I.B.C. has risen a new monopoly which controls the heavyweight championship and thereby boxing. Anybody who knows boxing, knows that TelePrompTer controls Floyd Patterson."

▶ Shed a tear for George Parnassus, the Olympic matchmaker: with the best intentions in the world, he signed Randy Sandy, well-known New York middleweight, to meet local hot-shot, state middleweight champion Johnny Smith. Smith had won 16 in a row, eight by knockout; Randy Sandy, though an in-and-outer, held wins over Emile Griffith, thec urrent world welter champ, and Dick Tiger, the Nigerian, now rated No. 2 among the world's best middleweights.

But alack and alas for the best-laid plans of mice, men and matchmakers! When Randy took his medical exam, he was turned down with emphasis. The doctor discovered that he had cataracts over both eyes.

"A total loss," moaned the Greek ambassa-

dor." "Cost me $12.00."

It was nightning striking twice in the same place.

Some years back, when Pajarito Moreno was red-hot, Parnassus imported Miguel Rosa Berrior to L. A. from New York. Miguel, a Puerto Rican, had some good wins to his credit: Flash Eloride, Ike Chestnut, Kid Anahuac and others well known in Southern California. Berrios, too, was turned down: he had cataracts. According to Parnassus, he had advanced $3,000 and paid for four transportations. The death of Berrios' manager made that $3,000 advance a total loss.

▶ Johnny (known as "Joltin'" also "Bad News") Smith, 157½, readily accepted Tiger Al Williams, 160, as a substitute for Randy Sandy at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., and he won a somewhat abortive knockout over the Tiger in the 5th round. It was not an impressive performance for Smith, though it was his 17th straight win and his ninth straight kayo. The fight was not televised.

The TV ten saw Ray Salazar, 119, score the unanimous verdict over Pajaro Gonzalez, 119, Tijuana. Despite the unanimity of the officials it was an interesting scrap. Referee Tommy Hart voted 6-4; Judge Jimmy Wilson, 5-3 and Judge George Latka 6-3.

In the six-round semi, Fidel Lucero, 143½, got the unanimous duke over Marcelino Vargas, 143. In the four-round opener, Paul Anderson, 163, dec. Aaron Peralta, 160.

San Jose—Local idol Louis Molina, 138½, ran his unbeaten streak to ten in a row when he stopped Henry (Enrique) Olea, 135, of Phoenix in 1.55 of the fourth round. It was the ninth kayo in the string for Molina, only the veteran Orlando Zulueta has been able to last the limit with the San Jose puncher.

In the semi-final Floyd Ryan, 160, San Francisco, won from Louis Andrade, 163, Fresno, 6. In other bouts, Al Perez, 148, Oakland, kayoed Marvin Hawkins, 145, Oakland, in 2:34 of the first; Viva Zapata, 145, Mexico, halted Ruben Ramos, 142, Oakland, in 2.46 of the third and John Bermudez, 132½, Ft. Ord defeated Morrie Duran, 132½, San Francisco, 4.

Fresno—Hard punching Ray Riojas, 138, Fresno, kayoed Oscar Oretegon, 137, San Jose, in the eighth round. Moses Cooper, 151, Fresno, and Henry Perez, 144½, Oakland, wound up as a technical draw in the third round.

In other bouts, Willie Turner, Salinas, defeated Rocky Hull, Oakland, 4; Justin Mendez, 135, Stockton, dropped the duke to Willie Sedano, 136, Fresno, 4, and Gabriel Terronez, 146, Bakersfield kayoed Carlos Loyola, 143, San Francisco, in the first.

San Francisco—Art Garcia, 149, Oakland, halted Dorsey Williams, 146, San Francisco, in the sixth and Dave (Schoolboy) Brown, 156, Oakland, decisioned Don Bale, 158, Oakland, in the other co-feature eight rounder.

In other bouts on the card, John Canty, 172, San Francisco, outfought Moses Scott, 171, San Francisco, in an interesting six and John Jackson, 176, San Francisco, kayoed Joe Byron, 176, San Francisco, in the first, while Carl Looney, 180, San Francisco, defeated Danny Garcia, 186, Oakland, 4.

Richmond—The ten round feature was a local natural that saw Mutt Goodwin, 157, gain the verdict over Clarence James, 160, after ten well fought rounds. Art Garcia, 147, Oakland, kayoed Ralph Moore, 145, Los Angeles, in the fifth.

In other bouts John Lane, 161, Oakland, scored over George Thomas, 158, Richmond, 4, and Bobby Herron, 122, San Francisco, stopped Willie Kee, 126, Oakland, in the second round.

Sacramento—Local youngster Terry Smith, 161, scored a seven round kayo over Perry Hicks, 157, Fresno, in the feature bout of an all star show. In other eight rounders Trino Savala, 118, and Sylvester Ruttledge, 120, drew in a hard fought bout and Bill McMurray, 204, Sacramento, defeated Joe Sullivan, 182, San Francisco.

In other bouts, Johnny Gordon, 172, Sacramento won over Willie Stevens, 166, Reno, and Charley Robinson, 131, San Francisco, outscored Ray Salas, 132, Oakland, 6.

Santa Cruz—Roque Maravilla, 178, Santa Cruz, packed too much hitting power for Willie Gill, 179½, Oakland, and stopped his man in the fourth round of the main bout.

In other bouts, Al Perez, 151, Santa Cruz, won over Alan Allen, 148, Oakland, in 4; Charley Robinson, 133, San Francisco, and Ray Salas, 131, Oakland, went to a draw in 4; Morrie Duran, 136, San Francisco, outpointed John Bermudez, 134, Ft. Ord, in 4, and Don Bale, 166, outpointed Bobo Butler, 158, San Francisco, in 4.

Los Angeles—Alejandro Lavorante, 206, Buenos Aires, Argentina, pushed himself into the heavyweight title picture with a stunning four knockdown, seven round kayo over Zora Folley, 200, Chandler, Arizona, before a crowd of better than 6,000 fans at the Olympic Auditorium. The fight was a drab and dull affair for the first five rounds as both fought cautiously. Then in the sixth round Lavorante crashed over a series of rights to the jaw that toppled Folley for an eight count. He was groggy when he got up and soon was down again from another right on the jaw but was saved by the bell at the count of four.

Zora came out cautiously for the seventh round. He missed with a right and was nailed by a countering right that dropped him again. As he lay on the canvas, his manager Bill Swift reached into the ring and shoved a bottle of smelling salts under Zora's nose and Folley was up at the count of eight. However the rescue work got Swift little else than a twenty-five dollar fine, as Alejandro crashed home another right to the jaw and as Folley hit the deck, referee George Latka, did not even bother to count, signaling the finish.

For Lavorante, who is now after a match with champion Floyd Patterson, it was his eleventh kayo in scoring thirteen triumphs in fourteen pro bouts. His lone loss came last year to Roy Harris in Texas.

For Folley who was kayoed for the fourth time in losing his fifth of sixty bouts it was a bitter defeat as with Liston, Cooper and Machen already counted out as fall opponents for Patterson, Zora thought a victory would have earned him the title contest.

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Monday night card attracted 1,344 customers and gross box-office business of $2,480.86.

THE FINAL BELL . . . Just as we were going to press with this issue of The Ring, word reached us that Dominick Petrone, about 56, a popular local bantam and feather of the flourishing '20s had been counted out. . . . During his industrious career, which began in 1922 and ended in 1930, Petrone didn't miss many of the good 'uns scaling from 118 to 130. Two of his most impressive performances were accounted for in 1926 when, in successive bouts in New York, he decisioned former bantam champion Abe Goldstein and champion-to-be Panama Al Brown. A native of Harlem, and managed by Harry Cohen and Phil Rosen, Dominick's record embraced meetings with such other top-liners as Bushy Graham, Pete Zivic, Eddie (Cannonball) Martin, Chick Suggs, Eddie O'Dowd, Pete Sarmiento, California Joe Lynch, Petey Mack and Al Singer. He called it a career when Kid Chocolate stopped him in six rounds in Brooklyn in 1930. . . . After hanging up the mittens, Petrone put in a hitch with the U. S. Army, and later was with the New York Department of Sanitation, acting as a sort of unofficial bodyguard for the late Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia. In recent years Petrone had spent considerable time in hospitals because of illness.

NEWS FROM TORONTO, CANADA

By Jacques Tachauer

FERNAND CHRETIEN, SCRAPPY TORONTO LIGHTWEIGHT, appeared in a prelim on the Rocky Fumerelle—Ralph Tiger Jones card at the Memorial Auditorium in Buffalo, N. Y. and boxed a six round draw with Stan Fitzgerald of that city. He weighed in at 135 pounds, three heavier than Fitzgerald. It was the twelfth pro start for Chretien, whose record now stands at ten wins (five by KO's) against one loss and a draw. He is top contender for the Canadian title held by Eddie Beattie of Hamilton, Ontario and he hopes to soon get a crack at his crown.

▶ The Lions Club held its annual amateur show at Maple Leaf Gardens with ten bouts making up the card. It was the 39th charity show put on by the Lions Club. In the main bout of the night, promising 138 pound Torontonian Colin Fraser decisioned Willie Williams of the Maritimes over the five round route.

▶ Former world's welter and middleweight titleholder Carmen Basilio visited this city and appeared on a local television program and stated that though he has announced his retirement, it's possible he'd return to the ring providing an offer is made that is to his liking.

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Referee of the bouts was Middleweight John Fuller, 1958-1959 8th Division Champ. Manager of the Zweibruecken invaders was SP4 Louis Bordowitz. After the bouts the boys were presented with string ties with boxers medal.

PERSONAL TOUCH

AIC Harley Cooper, Vallejo, California, the 49th Tactical Fighter Wing's "Mr. USAFE" as far as the Pioneers are concerned, garnered the USAFE Light Heavyweight Open Boxing Championship for the second consecutive year and hung up his gloves to resume coaching activities in an amateur boxing career which began in 1953, encompassing some 40 fights worldwide.

The senior supply specialist who has served in the U. S. Army and USAF for 10½ years, pursued his off-duty activity as a means of recreation and has developed a record in the sport unexcelled by few in service competition.

While in the Army in Korea in 1950-51 he served in the Pusan and Seoul areas as a combat infantryman and was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

He has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal with three clasps.

Cooper began his career in 1953 at Iwakumi Air Station, Japan, where he won the Southern District Light Heavyweight Championship in 1954. He went on to take the Far East Air Forces title in the same weight division that year also.

In 1955 he was transferred at Tachikawa Air Base where he took the Northern area title that year and repeated his FEAF win for top honors as a light heavyweight.

His career in boxing in FEAF was capped by his win in the Far East Interservice Tourney, 1954, at Yokohama Naval Air Station. All told, he fought some 25 bouts in FEAF and was the Air Force representative in the Light Heavy class in the world wide meet at Hamilton AFB, Calif. where he was runner-up.

Upon rotation to the states he was selected in 1956 as one of a 20-man team to compete in the Olympic Trials. He fought to the finals in San Francisco.

In 1957 he was the victor in District West Coast competition and went on to take the Light Heavy Pacific Coast Conference championship.

At Parks, AFB, California, Cooper boxed in the Pacific Coast Conference interservice matches and won the Light Heavy title among competitors from the US Marines, Army, and Air Force boxers.

Upon transfer to USAFE to the 49th at Etain AB, France, in 1959 he took the France District Light Heavy title. Later, when the 49th moved to Spangdahlem AB under "Operation Red Richard", he was USAFE titlist in the Light Heavyweight Division 1960 and 1961. At Chateauroux AB, he was selected as the "outstanding boxer" of the tournament for his two K.O. wins for the 1961 USAFE crown. He also is an excellent basketball player.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON—Next to Dave Charnley's gallant, if losing, fight against Joe Brown for the world lightweight championship, the outstanding event in British ring circles in recent weeks was Howard Winstone's decisive victory over Terry Spinks, weighing 126 to his opponent's 122¾, for the British featherweight title. The rambunctious little Welshman, unbeaten in three years of professional campaigning, after a brilliant career in the amateurs, gave a spectacular display in posting his 24th victory in the money ranks. He gave Spinks a thorough drubbing, and Terry's handlers conceded defeat after the tenth round. The card was staged by Harry Levine at Wembley's indoor stadium.

On the same card, British middleweight champion Terry Downes "tuned up" for his forthcoming world title match with Paul Pender by stopping Tony Montano, an American from Phoenix, Ariz., in five rounds. Montano retired in his corner because of a bad cut over his left eye. The American outfought Downes in the first round, but absorbed a rugged beating from then on. A right-hand punch opened the cut over his eye in the second and a series of rights and lefts widened the gash in the fourth.

The keen rivalry between Winstone and Spinks and the personal popularity of Downes combined to draw a capacity crowd of 12,000 to Wembley Pool. An "added attraction," brought about by the excitement that had the fans on edge, followed the featherweight bout when cohorts of the rivals staged an impromptu free-for-all among themselves. As fists began flying, women screamed, chairs were overturned and bottles were thrown. Police forced their way through the brawling mob and carried off a group of Englishmen and Welshmen.

▶ **EARL'S COURT—LONDON**—Joe Brown of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, world lightweight king, successfully defended his title in this famous arena when he decisioned Dave Charnley in a return engagement, in fifteen rounds. Sixteen months previously the Britisher was forced to retire at the end of the fifth round due to a very bad cut over the eye, but since Charnley at the time was doing an excellent job, Jack Solomons, following the controversy over the ending of the fight, got busy and arranged the return match.

Since the bout was fully reported in our last issue, no need to repeat. But I will go on record as saying that the 18,000 saw one of the best battles in the class staged in England in many moons.

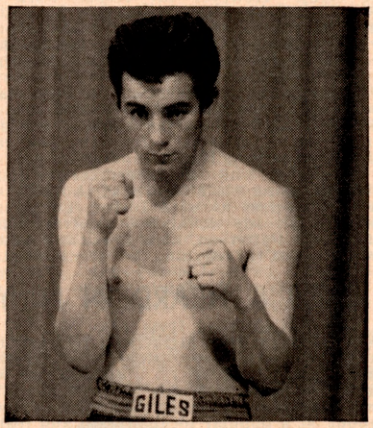
The last round will be remembered for quite a while. The contestants touched gloves and began flaying both hands at each other to the delirious shouting of the fans throughout the three minutes as both fighters tried for the coup-de-grace, and they were still fighting at the bell, when referee Tommy Little stepped in to pull them apart and raised the hand of Joe Brown as THE WINNER, and still Champion of The World in the Lightweight division.

It will go down as one of the best lightweight contests seen in these Isles if not the world, and all credit is due to both Brown and Charnley for giving the lift up to boxing. Although there was loud dissent when the decision was announced, my card showed that Brown won nine, Charnley three, and three were even. A third match would again warrant a packed house.

▶ **JOE "RAFIU" KING, NIGERIA,** 128½, one of the best featherweights in the world, gave a great performance in defeating Harry Floyd Smith, U.S.A., 129, in a fast hitting eight . . . After the first Smith turned "Southpaw" and took King by surpise with his attacks, but the canny Nigerian always seemed to have the answer to everything that Smith showed, for the fast two handed body blows of King almost had the American on the verge of a knockout, but the latter fought back with great courage to everyone's surprise . . . Ken Field, Hoxton, 128, took a big step up the featherweight ladded with a convincing points win over Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, 128, in eight. The young Hoxton lad boxed in orthodox fashion to overcome the hard hitting Scot, who for most part of the bout was on the receiving end.

Dave Higgins, Scotland, 135½, was too clever for the South African, Ken Watson, 137¾, after an interesting eight.

Billy Davis, Bow, 127½, fought well in an aggressive manner to outpoint Phil Lundgren, Bermondsey, 127, in six. Neville Exford, Bermondsey, 148½, outpointed Tommy Corrigan, Ireland and Maidstone, 148, after a hard hitting eight.



Howard Winstone, undefeated 21 year old Welshman who won the British title by stopping Terry Spinks in the tenth round. It was the twenty-fourth straight triumph for Howard.

Bob Nicholson, Farnborough, 167½, gained the points decision over Brian "Lacey" Stannard, King's Lynn, 174, in an exciting six . . . Menzies Johnson, Jamaica, 209, stopped Alan Hands, Blackpool, 232, in the third.

▶ **PAISLEY** . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, British and Empire Champion, proved once again that a good "Big-Un" will always beat a good "Little-Un" (of course there are exceptions once in a while), but when Jackie Brown, Glasgow, Scottish Flyweight Champion, was asked to concede weight to the hard hitting Irishman in a 10 rounder at 124, it was too heavy a task. Brown won the first two rounds by his lightning left and smart moving around the ring, but Gilroy was only allowing Brown to get too confident before he went into action.

A change came over the situation in the fourth when Gilroy feinted with his right—he is a southpaw—then shot a left to Brown's body, which folded him up to sink to the canvas to be counted out.

Derry Treanor, Eire born but now domiciled in Glasgow, 125½, dictated his bout against Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, 128, throughout the eight, to gain a clear points win. Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 128¼, outpointed George Judge, Glasgow, 127¾, in eight.

Willie Fisher, Craigneuk, 155, stopped Ken Chadwick, Bournemouth, 152¾, when the latter retired at the end of the third. Owen Riley, Glasgow, 127½, outpointed Ollie Wyllie, Aberdeen, 126, in six. Danny Lee, Port Glasgow, 116½, outpointed Jerry Jones, Wigan, 117, in six.

▶ **PRESTON** . . . Alf Barker, Glasgow, 172½, avoided the swings of Brian Coxhead, Preston, 168½, throughout their eight to gain a points victory. Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, 131½, outpointed Nye Ankrah, Ghana, 128½, in a hard fought eight. Both were rewarded with "nobbins" in the ring after a splendid bout.

Owen Feathers, Blackburn, 162, knocked out Jackie Abbott, Huddersfield, 161, in the fourth. Al Rocca, Manchester, 130, stopped Norman Swailes, Lancaster, 131½, in the second.

▶ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB—LONDON** . . . Alex Ambros, Glasgow, 119, gained the points decision over Don Weller, Battersea, 119½, in a closely fought eight. Dave Parsons, Northholt, 138, and Alex McMillan, Glasgow, 136½, fought a hard bout to a draw in eight.

Eric Young, Walworth, 147½, defeated Lazio Shrenk, High Wycombe, 147½, in the fourth. Eddie France, Bourne End, 119½, narrowly outpointed Billy Meek, Shoreditch, 121, in a hard fought six. Mick McCrechan, Dagenham, 138, outpointed Tommy Blackwell, Brixton, 133, in six.

▶ **NORTHAMPTON** . . . Nat Jacobs, Manchester, 150, was awarded a points decision over Al Sharpe, Belfast, 149, after an interesting eight. Alan Howard, Holloway, 136¾, defeated Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 134¾, in six. Peter Russell, Malton, 164, stopped Harry Kaye, Market Harborough, 168, in the fourth, when the referee intervened after Kaye had taken several counts and was in no condition to defend himself.

Albert Dixon, Avonmouth, 148, having his first paid bout, outpointed Paul Eugene, Oxford, 149, in six. Ken Whitney, Northampton, 138, stopped Spud Murphy, Beeston, in the third.

▶ **LIVERPOOL** . . . Mick Leahy, Coventry, 149½, gained his revenge over Tanos Lambrianides, Cardiff via Greece, 146½, in a hard hitting eight. Seen through the medium of T-V, Leahy took the lead from the start and was never headed. Ray Shiel, St Helens, 193, could not master the fast moving tactics of Johnny Halifihi, Tonga, 175½, who ran out a good points winner in eight.

Neil McAteer, Birkenhead, 159½, and Harry Scott, Liverpool, 160, put all they had into their eight thrilling rounds with the former receiving the decision, thus reversing a previous defeat.

Steve Ako, Liverpool, 149, knocked out Dennis Burton, Rotherham, 147, in the fifth. Steve Walsh, Southport, 185, outpointed Mike Murphy, Rotherham, 176, in four. George Palin, Crewe, 147, outpointed Sugar Gibiliru, Ghana, 150, in four.

▶ **MANCHESTER** . . . Brian London, Blackpool, 209¼, proved too strong and tough for American, Billy Hunter, Detroit, 198¾, in which his manager and chief second, George Gainsford, decided that his fighter was not in a fit condition to continue at the end of the eighth. Hunter almost brought off a quick win at the start when he shot a heavy right on London's jaw before the chimes of the gong had died away. If he had succeeded, it would have been a record K.O. win.

Surprised and coming back to the fight, London dealt out severe punishment to the opponent who was suffering from a badly cut eye in the seventh, and was toppled over by a heavy left hook in the eighth for "eight". He tottered to his corner at the bell and Gainsford called referee, Ike Powell of Wales to his corner, signalling that his man was unable to continue.

Maurice Cullen, Durham, 136¾, reversed a previous defeat against Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 137, in which the latter was clearly outpointed in eight. Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 127, outpointed Ron Jones, West Ham, 127, in eight.

Al Rocca, Manchester, 127, knocked out Andy Hickson, Bury, 128, in the fifth. Johnny Cooke, Bootle, 137, outpointed Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 137½, in eight.

▶ **FINSBURY PARK** . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 136¼, was declared the winner over Phil McGrath, Halifax, 136¼, when the latter was ruled out by referee Harry Gibbs for alleged low deliveries, in the fourth. Danny O'Brien, Kilburn, 129¼, stopped George Hands, Edinburgh, 134¼, in the third.

Vic Andretti, Hoxton, 137½, stopped Joe Jacobs, Manchester, 138, in the first, after the latter had taken three counts. Ken Potter, Battersea, 186, half brother to Don Cockell, outpointed Johnny Barday, Nigeria, 188½, in his first paid bout after a gruelling six.

Kofie Manu, Ghana, 128, and Billy Odwell, Finsbury Park, 126, fought a draw in six. Johnny Estabrook, Camden Town, 126¾, stopped Mick Murphy, Shepherds Bush, 125¾, in the fourth.

▶ **BIRMINGHAM** . . . Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, outpointed Johnny O'Callaghan, Dagenham, in a bantamweight eight. Sammy McSpadden, Fulham, was a good points winner over Gus Harry, Ghana, in a lightweight eight.

Joe Ceroni, Bournemouth, defeated Ken Watson, South Africa, in the second. Watson was concedeing too much weight to the hard hitting welterweight and the bout was stopped in the second. Al Casson, Coventry, stopped Paul Beattie, Leicester, in the fourth of a lightweight bout.

▶ **Many South African Boxers** will be missing from my Empire Ratings in the next monthly report owing to fact that SOUTH AFRICA has withdrawn from the Common-

wealth. Dennis Adams, who holds The Empire Flyweight Title, John Mtimkulu, flyweight, Levy Madi featherweight, Gert von Heerden, middleweight, and Mike Holt, Cruiserweight, will have to make room for some of the younger boys who want to climb the ladder of fame.

▶**BELFAST** . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, British and Empire Bantam Champion, proved too strong a puncher for Boualen Belouard, France, and the referee stopped the one-sided bout in the seventh to save the Frenchman from further punishment.

Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, won the right to meet Gilroy, for the latters Titles, when he outpointed George Bowes, West Hartlepool, in the Final Eliminator over twelve rounds. Freddie Teidt, Dublin, outpointed Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, in ten.

▶**LOUGHBOROUGH** . . . Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 116½, punched too hard for Danny McNamee, Dundee, 116, and the referee decided that the Scot had taken sufficient punishment for one night, and called a halt in favor of Cartwright during the fourth. Sonny Osemegie, Nigera, 157¼, & Richie Edwardson, Liverpool, 152, fought a draw in six.

Jacob Dempsey, Antigua, 158¼, outgamed Sid Brown, Birmingham, 157½, to gain a points win in six hard hitting rounds. Pat Murphy, Dublin, 135½, won on points against Paul Beattie, Birkenhead, 135¾, in six.

▶**FINSBURY PARK** . . . Johnny Kramer, Canning Town, 146¾, stopped Ola Michael, Nigeria, 144¼, in the fourth. Kramer a slow starter had to take some of Michael's pet left hooks to the head in the early part, but got into his stride during the third to punish the coloured around the body, and when Kramer received a cut eye, the latter put on the pressure to such an extent, that referee Tommy Little intervened when Michael was against the ropes and unable to defend himself.

John Bacon, Middlesborough, 136½, repeated an inside the distance win over Joe Devitt, Islington, 136½, when he planted a left hook on the latters jaw in the fourth to take the full count. George Blazeby, Norwich, 150, outpointed Eric Young, Walworth, 148, in six.

Eric Frearon, Jamaica, 192½, outpointed Sid Cain, Watford, 210, in a gruelling six. Roy Lake, Morden, 124½, stopped Mick Murphy, Shepherds Bush, 125, in the third. Alan Palmer, Norwood, 137, stopped Trevor Wise, Norwich, 136¾, in the second.

▶**WOLVERHAMPTON** . . . Sandy Luke, Nigeria, 159½, was value for his points win over Maxie Smith, Wolverhampton, 162, in a hard fought eight. Aryee Jackson, Newport, 129½, was always the master over Tommy Icke, Wolverhampton, 136½, and gained a points win in eight. Joe Clift, Willenhall, 190, took 1 minute 45 seconds, of the first round to score a knockout win over new comer Bernard Neil, Nottingham, 215..

Johnny Furnham, Cardiff, 161¾, outpointed Simon Emu, Nigeria, 162½, in six. Gerry Jones, Wigan, 120¼, outpointed Roy Lake, Morden, 124½, in six. Ossie Nelson, Jamaica, 179, knocked out Spike Murphy, Ireland, 174, in the first minute of the first.

▶**HAMILTON** . . . After an absence of five months, Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 121, returned to the ring with a fifth round win over Tommy Burgoyne, Plean, 120. In the opening round, Morrissey planted a good left hook to Burgoyne's jaw which forced the latter to take a count of "nine", and to the surprise of his opponent he recovered during the second to desperately fight back only to succumb to a right that put him down for "seven." Morrissey fought with precision against a game opponent until referee Jake Kilrain, ex. British Welterweight Champion, intervened during the fifth to save Burgoyne from further punishment.

Jimmy Gibson, Dunfermline, Lightweight champion of Scotland, defeated Jim Jordan, Belfast, in the second when the referee stopped the bout in favour of Gibson after Jordan had sustained a very bad cut eye. Willie Fisher, Craigneuk, 159, outpointed Maurice Loughran, Belfast, 161¾, in six.

Sammy McSpadden, Fulham & Newarthill, 138, had his first professional bout in his Home land, and scored a fifth round win over "Ricky" Kiernan, Glasgow, 136¼, who rose from a knock down and was in no condition to defend himself, forcing referee Tom Hendry to intervene in favour of The London based Scot. Owen Riley, Glasgow, 134, gained a good points win over Billy Skelly, Belfast, 127¼, in eight.

▶**LEICESTER** . . . Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 127½, retained his unbeaten record when referee Austin O'Connor decided that he outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, 127¼, in a hotly disputed eight. Millions of T-V viewers saw this featherweight bout and the commentator gave the local E'liot the edge over The Cardiff "Southpaw". As I saw it from my easy chair, I agree with him.

Mick Greaves, Leicester, 125¼, knocked out Frank Lannion, Wolverhampton, 130¼, in the first. Brian "Lacy" Stannard, King's Lynn, 175¼, knocked out Razza Bailey, Coventry, 174½, in the fourth. Harry Kaye, Rugby, 170 defeated Colin Yandall, Bristol, 169¾, in the fourth.

Ron Brown, Market Harborough, 139½, outpointed Billy Elliot, Leicester, 137¼, in six. Joe Falcon, Leicester, 137¼, outpointed Pat Murphy, Nottingham, 139¼, in six. Derek Kilburn, Willinhall, 178, outpointed Mick Basten, Leicester, 177¼, in six.

▶**MANCHESTER** . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 160½, ended Pat O'Grady's Bermondsey, 160½, undefeated record at The Gus Demmy Promotion at The Free Trade Hall, when referee Lew Smith after Inspecting O'Grady's badly cut eye at the end of the fifth. It was a most unfortunate ending to this hard hitting bout for the damage to O'Grady was caused by a collision of heads in which O'Grady was the sufferer.

Harry Scott, Liverpool, 160, knocked out Ron Vale, Leamington, 153¼, in the third. Freddy Dobson, Manchester, 127, forced Al McCarthy, Romford, 127½, to retire in the sixth.

Bobby Fiddes, London, 12?, outpointed Jackie Dillon, Isle Of Man, 123½, in six. George Palin, Crewe, 149, outpointed Eddie Phillips, Nigeria, 148, in six. Maurice Lloyd, Crewe, 148, defeated Nat Jacobs, Manchester, 148, in the second, when the latter was ruled out for the misuse of his head.

Carl Taylor, London, 113, outpointed Ernie Butterworth, Manchester, 113, in six. Jackie Harwood, Bolton, 138, stopped Vic Baxendale, Nottingham, 138, in the first.

▶**SHOREDITCH** . . .One of the best flyweight bouts seen in the London area was that between Derek Lloyd, Romford, 115½, and Pancho Bhatachaji, India, 114¼, over eight rounds. They stood toe-to-toe throwing punches without a clinch marring the affair. It was a bout that neither deserved to lose. When referee Jack Hart gave the obvious DRAW, the ring was filled with "Nobbins" from the satisfied fight fans.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(To May 21, 1961)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Dick Tiger (N)	Brian Curvis (W)
2. Brian London (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Terry Downes (E)	Mick Leahy (E)
3. Dick Richardson (W)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Wally Swift (E)
4. George Chuvalo (C)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Yama Bahama (B)	Tony Smith (Liv'p'l) (E)
5. Robert Cleroux (C)	Johnny Cole (E)	Gert Von Heerden (SA)	Gale Kerwin (C)
6. Jim Coopez (E)	Stan Cullis (E)	John McCormack (S)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
7. George Mahoni (To)	Tony Smith (Wolv'h'pton)	Alan Harmon (J)	Jimmy McGrail (E)
8. Gawie De Klerk (SA)	Burke Emery (C)	Phil Edwards (W)	Johnny Melfah (N)
9. Ray Shiel (E)	Leslie Borden (C)	Gomeo Brennan (B)	Johnny Tapp (A)
10. Peter Bates (E)	Ron Redrup (E)	Tuna Scanlon (NZ)	Johnny Kramer (E)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Rafiu King (N)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Ludwig Lightburn(BH)	Howard Winstone (W)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Jackie Brown (S)
3. George Bracken (A)	Floyd Robertson (G)	George Bowes (E)	Dennis Adams (SA)
4. Gary Cowburn (A)	Percy Lewis (T)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Derek Lloyd (E)
5. Maurice Cullen (E)	Terry Spinks (E)	Dennis Adjie (G)	Brian Cartwright (E)
6. Steve Nittes (A)	Love Allotey (G)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	John Mtimkulu (SA)
7. Darkie Hughes (W)	Levy Madi (SA)	Alex Ambrose (S)	George McDade (S)
8. Bunny Grant (J)	Derry Treanor (S)	Peter Lavery (I)	Alex O'Neil (I)
9. Johnny Cooke (E)	Wally Taylor (A)	Dick White (A)	Don Braithwaite (W)
10 Ron Hinson (E)	Ken Field (E)	Den Weller (E)	Pancho Bhatachaji (IN)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS

By Harlan Haas

▶**BEAUMONT, TEXAS, BILL PLATTSMIER, PROMOTER**—Vic Graffio, the flashy Port Arthur youngster with the southpaw stance, handed Art Hayward a drubbing in 10 rounds at the Sportatorium to remain among the unbeaten. Graffio was too sharp for the plodding long-haired Hayward of Houston.

Harold "Tiger" Redman, 160, Beaumont, landed a prodigious wallop to the jaw of Walter Moerbe, 160, El Campo, and it was all over in the first round. Earl Citizen, 148, Beaumont, outfought Percy Pugh, 143, New Orleans, in six rounds. Harvey Gipson, 160, Beaumont, hammered out a four round win over Aureloi Costa, 165, El Campo.

▶San Antonio, Texas, George Henshaw, Promoter—Frankie Duran, 115, Austin, polished off Tommy Draper, 116, of North Carolina, in the fourth round in the Alamo City. Paul Alba, 130, Austin, defeated Al Franklin, 127, Oklahoma City, in eight rounds.

Artie Clark, 129, whipped Genaro Morones, 127, in four. Erasmo Mercado, 148, kayoed Eleuterio H. Landa, 147, in the second. Jose Luis Amador, 182, and Willie Ramos, 232, drew in the curtain raising four.

▶Odessa, Texas, Ralph M. Hall, Promoter—Manuel Gonzales, 142, fighting before the hometown folks, outmaneuvered Rocky Randell 141, of Rome, Georgia to gain a 10-round duke.

In another 10, Rip Randall, 144, Tyler, wasted little time and effort in stowing away the less experienced Sam Gray, 145, Austin, in the very first round. Teddy Shores, 161, decisioned Lou Jenkins, 160, in a four.

Lanky Al Gonzalez, 179, Odessa, whipped veteran amateur scarpper Charles Walton, 180, Houston, in a six rounder. Walton made his pro debut. Jack Ramsey, 181, Odessa, was lucky to get a draw with aggressive Benny Bowser, 174, Austin, in a six.

Beaumont, Texas, Bill Plattsmier, Promoter—Al Villafara looked good handing stiff socking Harold "Tiger" Redman a pasting in the latters hometown.

Villafara weighed 157, Redman 160, for the 10-round main go. Earl Citizen, 149, kayoed Pat Mintor, 150, in the second round. Paul Patin, 157, whipped Lou Jenkins, 160, in a six. Doyle Chamberlin, 190, had his hand raised after four rounds of mixing it with Leo Bennett, 184.

▶Port Arthur, Texas, G. C. Maret, Promoter—Vic Graffio, 134½, further enhanced his chances of securing a State title bout with Rip Randall by outpointing Prisciliano Aguirre, 134½, of Brownsville in an interesting 10-round scrap at Port Arthur.

In another featured bout, Charley "The Pigeon" Patterson, 144, Austin, got nailed solidly by Gustavo O'Horan, 142½, Brownsville, but he came back like a wounded bear to batter the border toughie to the deck for the full count in the first round. A quickie, but full of excitement while it lasted. Art Hayward, 138½, Houston, kayoed Willie Watson, 141, Houston, in the fifth.

▶Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc.—A spine tingler was unreeled at the City Auditorium when Tod Herring and Tunney Hunsaker clashed in the 10-round feature. Herring, Houston's new heavyweight hopeful, won the unanimous 10-round decision.

In another 10-rounder, rough, tough Ernie Cab, 208, Brooklyn, won his second straight Houston start, by knocking out courageous but outgunned George "Scrapiron" Johnson, 195, Oklahoma City, in the sixth round.

Bennie Bowser, 168, Austin, was behind on points going into the sixth and final round but knocked his opponent, Jimmy Fields, 164, Houston, into the laps of several men in the press row and referee Jimmy Webb counted him out.

Alvin Boulden, 147, stopped Alvin Simms, 150, in the second round. Robbie Robinson, 198, Houston, knocked Bob Hall, 193, Houston, through the ropes and out of the picture in the third round.

▶Dallas, Texas, Ralph Hall, Promoter—High ranking Kenny Lane, 137, breezed into Big D, and won a unanimous 10-round decision over Texas lightweight champ Garland "Rip" Randall, 134, and impressed everyone.

Eric "Sonny Blue" Bluitt, 198, kayoed Randy Wyatte, 205, in the third. Gabe Cavazos, 142, whipped Lucky DeLay, 149, in a spirited six. Willie Brown, 146, stopped Loyd Cline, 142, in the second. Daulton Caro, 150, tkayoed Pat Minter, 149, in the first.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

THE Algerian crisis upset boxing in France, hence Germany and Italy provided the most important matches. Gustav Scholz made an appearance in Vienna but showed signs of rustiness. The E.B.U. deprived Scholz of his European title for failing to defend it within the stated time.

▶ **Rome**—The Rinaldi-Rodriguez clash, reported briefly in our last notes, was something of a let-down for the Rinaldi faction. The beefy Giulio was off-form. The last four rounds were dominated by Rinaldi but the decision making him the winner got a poor reception.

Mario Vecchiatto showed flashes of former brilliance by his convincing win over Tito Gomez, smart Spanish lightweight, dropping the Don for three counts before his corner slung in the towel.

Sergio Caprari, still intent on a shot at the European feathers title, had little to defeat in Louis Oberto of France, whom he knocked out in the sixth round.

The crude but tough Bert Whitehurst won his third straight win in Italian rings by putting the kybosh on the equally crude, but less tough, Bonino Allevi. Whitehurst, a regular favorite in European rings, caused Allevi to signal retirement in the fourth round.

Alex Buxton, the valiant veteran from Watford, was too old a hand to be caught napping by Ottavio Panunzi and ran out an honorable loser in a lightheavy ten.

In a second cruiser clash, Luigi Napoleoni of Olympic fame won before the limit when his game and determined foeman, Bertocchi, was forced to retire in the fifth round with a disjointed thumb.

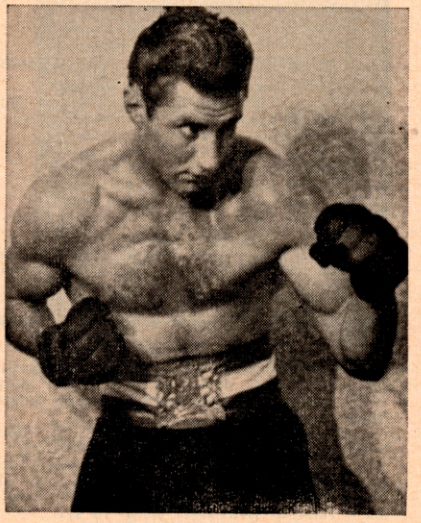
▶ **Paris**—At the Salle Wagram, unbeaten Lucien Fernandes came his first cropper in the paid ranks when he clashed with experienced Sauveur Chiocca in a rugged welter ten. Fernandes fought his best but the Corsican stopped every attack with ripping uppercuts and also got the better of the younger man at close-quarter work. Chiocca ran out clear points winner.

Claude Saluden won easily over Maurice Devilliers in a montonous welter ten that brought a slow hand clap from the audience.

▶ **Madrid, Spain.**—Chato Ramos decisioned battle-scarred Bobby Ros in a lightweight eight and José Manrique, from the Basque country, whipped Luis Gutierrez.

In a third lightweight eight, Hilario Arranz, considered a prospect, trimmed Ricardo Navarro on points.

▶ **At Palma.**—The Spanish middleweight title changed hands yet again, coming the complete circle to settle once again in the grasp of Manolo Correa, who forced the holder, Victoriano Olivares, to retire in the fifth round.



Wim Snoek, veteran Dutch heavyweight champion who scored an impressive triumph over German Ulli Nitzschke in a spirited bout in Amsterdam. Snoek is thirty-four and has been fighting as a pro since 1950.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain.**—Two more ex-middles champions battled at the Gran Price, where Fernando Penarroya displayed a return to form by halting Francisco Ortega in the fourth round.

▶ **Ghent, Belgium.**—Bob Stevens was held to a draw by aggressive Marius Dori of France in a middles ten.

▶ **At Charleroi.**—José Peyre outmauled Leon Labaj of France in a heavies ten and nimble Victor Ducros trimmed veteran Eddy Roelandt in a lightie ten.

▶ **Sassari, Italy.**—Ernesto Miranda was lacking his usual fire against the Spanish bantam, Francisco Carreno, and the ref was repeatedly obliged to order more action. The decision went to Miranda after ten-rounds of non-explosive fireworks.

In a robust middles eight, Franco Fiori out-slugged Giordano Terabusi and in a feathers eight, Franco Musso defeated Girolamo Piai.

▶ **At Pavia.**—Luigi Castoldi was lucky to get the nod over Luigi Furio, who was leading clearly until the seventh round, when a hook to the liver made him drop his guard and Castoldi got home with a regular barrage of blows.

Veteran Letterio Petilli came back to action, drawing against Possessi in a feathers eight.

▶ **Paris.**—Yves Cornez, the only Belgian boxer worth his salt apart from Cossemyns, was almost sent to dreamland in the second round of his welter clash against René Brunet at the Central. The undefeated Walloon moved into an explosive right cross from Brunet that dropped him for "S". In the succeeding rounds Cornez made the mistake of trying to outslug the strong Frenchman and only a spurt of brilliant boxing in the last rounds got him the verdict.

▶ **Ascoli Piceno, Italy.**—After a promising start against such wily operators as Maurice Mols and Alain Cherville, Franco DePiccoli has evidently been launched on a Cavicchi-style built-up against trial horses. He couldn't have learned much from Walter Haufft, whose corner skied the towel in the second round after the Teuton had taken a veritable shellacking.

▶ **Ravenna, Italy.**—Vittorio Mancini and Annibale Omodei slugged it out toe-to-toe for ten rounds, with Mancini getting the verdict by a close margin, thus reversing a previous defeat.

▶ **At Pesaro.**—Geppino Gentiletti and Paolo Cottino also engaged in a return clash, with Gentiletti scraping through a close winner in their middleweight ten. Linzalone won brilliantly over Morzilli in a bantam eight.

▶ **Alghero, Italy.**—Salvatore Burruni made an excellent showing against Kamara (Bobby) Diop, the coal-black West African bantam who previously whipped the Sardinian via the points route. With his eye on the European flyweight title, Burruni fought like a man possessed to win clearly over ten rounds.

Cruiser Mario Altana returned to the wars, stopping Giuseppe Gubbiani, who dropped to the canvas claiming a foul which was disallowed.

▶ **Tours, France.**—Risto Luukkonen, never at his best outside his native Finland, suffered a crushing points defeat at the hands of local star Jean Guerard in a one-sided flyweight ten here.

▶ **At Laon.**—The doyen of French fighters, 40-year old Gilbert Lavoine, handed out a drubbing to Germany's Gerhard Moll, who gave his usual stoic performance to lose via the points route.

▶ **Madrid, Spain.**—The undisturbed reign of José Gonzalez as leader of Spain's heavyweight division came to an end at the Sports Palace, where the valiant veteran was defeated over twelve rounds by Mariano Echevarria. Gonzalez won the crown in 1952 and eventually ran out of challengers.

Against Echevarria, he tried to rough things up but was called to order and lost by quite a margin. Luis Folledo outscored another oldster, Ben Buker II, in a non-title welter eight and in two lightweight matches, José Manrique upset Chato Ramos via the points route and Enrique Lezaun bested Hilario Arranz.

▶ **Paris.—At the Salle Wagram** an almost unknown Tunisian lightweight named Ameur Lamine, scored quite an upset by trouncing Louis Poncy, decking the former feathers champion in the second round for "8" and winning clearly in the subsequent rounds.

André Scheppler knocked out Maurice

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 20, 1961)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	LIGHTHEAVYS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ing. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Peter Mueller (G)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Karl Mildenberger (G)	Helmut Ball (G)	Marcel Pigou (F)	Hippolyte Annex(F)
4. Sante Amonti (I)	Lennart Risberg (SW)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Fortunato Manca (I)
5. Albert Westphal (G)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Hippolyte Annex (F)
6. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Andre Drille (F)	Chris Christensen (D)
7. Plinio Scarabellin (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Manfred Hass (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
8. Thoerner Ahsman (SW)	Paul Roux (F)	Bruno Fortilli (I)	Luis Folledo (S)
9. Ulli Ritter (G)	Ottavio Panunzi (I)	Jean Ruellet (F)	Yves Cornez (B)
10. Wim Snoek (H)	Georges Torrecillas (F)	Michel Diouf (F)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Aissa Hashas (F)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
2. Sergio Caprari (I)	Ray Nobile (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Rene Libeer (F)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Rene Barriere (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Jean Guerard (F)
5. Guy Gracia (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Pierre Vetroff (F)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
6. Guizani Rezgui (T)	Willi Quattuor (G)	Kamara Diop (F)	Pierre Rossi (F)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Mario Sitri (I)	Sugar Ray (H)	Albert Younsi (F)
8. Conny Rudhof (G)	Antonio Ramos (S)	Elysee Castre (F)	Giacomo Spano (I)
9. Epiphane Akono (F)	Paul Maolet (F)	Ugo Milan (I)	Raton Osuna (S)
10. Manuel Sosa (F)	Lino Mastellaro (I)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Young Martin (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden; T Tunisia.

Francois in the seventh session of a welter fray and Jo (Giuseppe) Catalano of Italy fought a draw with ducky Charles Luce in a middles eight.

▶ **Milan, Italy.**—At the Lido, Franco De Piccoli continued his fight-a-week campaign with a two-minute win over faded Uwe Janssen of Germany. The ref ordered the cease-fire after Janssen had paid three trips to the canvas.

Nino Benvenuti had things less his own way with Nick Maric, the dour Yugoslav middleweight, who disputed every inch of the way and marked the Olympic ace with his hefty counter-punching. A dazzling finish won Nino the nod.

Lino Mastellaro gave the best display among these young prospects, outpointing the erratic but very experienced Spaniard, Juan Cardenas, in a feathers eight. Cruiser Guerrino Scattolin bested Frigerio in six and Gullotti trimmed Gastone Casarico in a light-weight affair. The show was a sell-out and augurs well for future promotions.

▶ **Florence, Italy.**—Franco Brondi showed progress in getting the better of foxy Nedo Stampi in a lightweight eight. Stampi finished up cut over both eyes but fought strongly enough to have merited a draw.

Piero Del Papa decisioned Luigi Gheda in a cruiser six and in two middleweight mauls, Bruno Santini outfought Alves Savoi and Guzzo drew with Bartaloni.

▶ **St. Quentin, France.**—The ever-determined Horst Niche sallied forth once more to do battle with Wladis Kopec although he had already dropped disputed verdicts against Ballarin and Roux in the same ring. Against Kopec, Nache made the going for all ten rounds but the nod went to the Frenchman amid jeers from the crowd.

▶ **At Epermay.**—Robert Meunier trimmed René Douarré in a feathers ten and at Chartres, the same night, only 500 fans turned up to watch Fernand Nollet outscore Jackie Chauveau in a lightweight ten.

▶ **Dortmund, Germany.**—The oft-postponed scrap between Erich Schoeppner and Peter Mueller provided no sensations, it was a case of the good big 'un—with a 17 lb pull in the weights—beating the good little 'un. The early rounds were marred by constant fouling but the fight improved as time went on and Mueller fought his heart out trying to land a finisher. Schoeppner got the verdict. Mueller got the cheers and was carried shoulder-high from the ring.

Ulli Nitzschke, 202, was unable to make progress at the expense of colored Frankie Daniels, 195, who proved a faster and more accurate puncher and beat the German clearly over ten rounds.

Hamouda Bouraoui, 161, retired in the fifth round of his clash with Manfred Hass.

Heini Freytag, 158, trounced Mohamed Saieb of Syria over six rounds and Emil Koch, 152, drew with Klaus Winkler in four.

Miguel Lopez, 134, drew with Hanspeter Schmitz in a return bout over four rounds. Attendance at the Westfalen Hall was 14,000.

▶ **Calais, France.**—Elysée Castre was taken out of his stride by the nifty ringcraft of Sugar Ray, who was unlucky only to get a draw against the ex-bantam champion after ten rounds. A few weeks later, in Brazil, Sugar Ray was flattened by World Champion Eder Jofre in two rounds, for which he received $700.

▶ **At Bourges.**—Herbert Schilling of Germany paid six visits to the canvas but succeeded in lasting the distance against Ahmed Sebane, the Algerian welter.

▶ **At Nantes.**—Paul Maolet, the dangerous gipsy feathers prospect, chalked up another good win by narrowly outscoring Eugene Le Cozannet over ten rounds.

▶ **Vienna, Austria.**—With Scholz and Papp topping the bill, indoor attendance records were broken when 17,000 fans jammed the City Hall in the expectation of seeing a superlative show. As usual with such affairs, the program provided only anti-climaxes.

Gustav Scholz, making his first appearance since his poor showing against Don Fullmer, was pitted against blond Hans-werner Wohlers, who has made some recovery since his ill-advised American jaunt. In a previous meeting, with the German title at stake, Scholz appeared unable to solve his opponents style and the match evolved into an exposition of tactical warfare.

So it was this time, Scholz unwilling to make the fight and Wohlers reluctant to force the issue. In the sixth round and onwards, Wohlers took courage and peppered Gus the Great from all angles, Scholz displaying lack of condition but hitting hard enough to earn respect. He nabbed Wohlers with a left counter in the final round and floored the Hamburger blond for "6". The judges decreed a draw.

Laszlo Papp, 166, the legendary Hungarian, was unable to catch up with fleet-footed Moussa Sangaree of France and could only win on points in ten rounds. Leo Potesil, 154, avenged a previous defeat by Guenter Hase, trimming the Teuton over eight rounds whilst in a feathers bout, Gerhard Topf drew with Pierre Leroux.

▶ **Brest, France.**—Fast-improving Jean-Claude Leroy outboxed Maxime Cochin in a bantam ten here.

At the Central, Paris, Yugoslav Milow Bulat nodded Girolamo Licatesi of Italy in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain.**—Jaime Aparici drew with Bobby Ros in a mauling lightie eight at the Gran Price whilst in a feathers eight, Rafael Fernandez whipped fading Antonio Lopez Durban.

▶ **Eugies, Belgium.**—Yves Cornez continued his winning way, beating Frenchman Maurice Colombies in a welter ten.

▶ **At Charleroi.**—New cruiser prospect Yvan Preberg halted Yvon Because in the fifth round.

▶ **Rome.**—At the Palazzetto, Sergio Caprari clearly defeated game Jean Biosca of France, dropping the visitor in the first and fifth rounds to gain an undisputed win over eight rounds. Fernando Proietti coasted to a comfortable win against André Davier, France, in a welter eight.

▶ **At Pordenone.**—Gino Rossi, local middle-weight trial-horse, outslugged Salvatore Boi over eight rounds and Franco Musso won very narrowly over Dom Pillon in a feathers eight.

▶ **Rotterdam, Holland.**—Harko Kokmeyer was held to a draw by the crooning cruiser clouter from South Africa, Darius Dhlomo, over ten rounds whilst Jo Lamers was unexpectedly taken the distance by mediocre Eddy Kindermans, Belgian middleweight.

▶ **Aosta, Italy.**—Benito Zambon dropped Julien Staccini three times and had the French welter in such bad state that his corner skied the towel in the third round.

At Cantu, blond Serafino Novati trounced Petrini in a cruiser six.

▶ **Casablanca, Morocco.**—Aissa Hashas failed to gain his expected easy win against Charlie Douglas when they clashed at the Arena before 8000 fans. Hashas went all out for a quick finish and after four rounds, decided to rely on boxing and ran out a close points winner.

▶ **At Abidjan.**—Kouame Yao hit a snag in his comeback campaign, being held to a draw by Bernard Quellier, Parisian light-heavy prospect, over ten rounds.

▶ **Harburg, Germany.**—In this suburb of Hamburg, the Fritz Wiene-Ten Hoff promoting tandem organized a program exclusively for television, a novelty in Germany though the Italians were first with the idea, when Duilio Loi fought Marcel Dupré in 1957. Apart from the main spot, the program was devoted to young talent and turned out successfully, with about 800 spectators attending the improvised arena.

Erich Walter, 158, had little difficulty disposing of Richard Bouchez, the fragile Belgian champion, being stopped in the fifth round.

Albert Duscha, 190, came back after a long layoff and proved too strong, too heavy too experienced for young Karlheinz Zoellner, 170, who was knocked out in the fourth round.

Heini Meinhardt, 158, halted Hubert Retzlaff, 158, in the fourth, Rudi Nehring, 168, clearly outscored Gerhard van Eyk of Holland in six and Peter Tombers, 148, gained an unpopular victory over Chris Kok of Holland over six rounds.

▶ **Rome—At the Folgore.**—Renato Giacche outfought crafty Altidoro Polidori in a desperate lightweight encounter over ten rounds.

At Voghera.—Angelo Favari halted Giorgio Fuga in the second round of a cruiser clash.

▶ **Paris.—At the Salle Wagram.**—Sauveur Chiocca handed out a veritable boxing lesson to young Daniel Brunet in ten rounds.

The Olympic middleweight, Yolande Leveque, trimmed Omar Zenasni of Algeria in eight rounds.

▶ **Rome**—A disappointingly small attendance at the Sports Palace marked the European debut of the latest batch of Negro American invaders, led by manager George Gainsford. For world-rated Ted Wright it was a return to the scene of previous triumphs but Italian fans had apparently forgotten his name or thought his opponent, Helmut Mistol, was simply brought in as a sacrificial goat. Mistol was outclassed by the American until the eighth round, when the ref decided the cut over his left eye was too bad and called a halt.

Dick Young knocked out gallant Paolo Cottino in the fourth round of a middles clash, but not without getting knocked through the ropes himself in the opening tempo.

Californian Jesse Jones was completely outboxed by Franco Nenci for the first four rounds but knocked the brilliance out of his opponent with hefty slams to the chin, which finally led to a cessation of hostilities in the sixth round, in Jones' favor.

Third victim of the American invasion was Kid Salerno, who was obliged to retire in the fifth round of his lightweight scrap with Las Vegas flash, Frank Hardison.

Gianni Lommi, an official contender for the middles title, failed to display an iota of talent and was clearly outscored by Jo Catalano, an Italian from Paris, over eight rounds.

Franco Badalassi, heavyweight prospect, stopped Dino Biato in four and Marino Buraglio stopped Bruno Pistidda in the third frame of a flyweight dispute.

▶ **Florence, Italy**—Nino Benvenuti had no difficulty in decisioning the untrained French middle, Pierre Mondino, over six rounds. Franco Brondi halted Charles Chevalier, French lightie, in the opening round. Bruno Santini, local middleweight hope, was surprisingly beaten by an obscure Spaniard named Martinez, via the points route.

▶ **Paris**—Despite the tension which paralyzed France at the time of the generals' mutiny in Algeria, promotor Michaelis kept faith with the public by preservering with his show at the Sports Palace. There was only a small audience but losses were cut by arranging for the program to be televised. Several upsets added interest to the card, with Georges Torrecillas, cruiser prospect from Marseilles, winning via the points route over highly-touted Wladis Kopec.

Charley "Gentleman" Attali outboxed Jean Ruellet in a middles eight. Amrane Sadok, Tunisian welter of promise, knocked out Jean Marchandeau in the third round and Tahar Guizani, also of Tunisia, stopped Rene Dernoncourt in the third frame of a bantam affair.

▶ **Amsterdam, Holland**—Wim Snoek, veteran Dutch heavyweight champion, who has a notable series of successes to his credit, added to his laurels by outpointing the German, Ulli Nitzschke, over ten rounds. Less fortunate was Nelis Oostrum, Dutch cruiser boss, who walked smack into a right cross during the fifth round of his bout with Wenzel Bociek of Germany and was dropped for the count.

▶ **Berlin, Germany**—A good attendance of 6,000 was registered at the Sports Palace when Karl Mildenberger took the ring against Frankie Daniels. Mildenberger, 188, was four pounds lighter than the American. Daniels used all the tricks at his command and continually tied the German up. A couple of hard clouts on the chin rocked him in the ninth, but he remained on his feet without undue bother to lose via the points route.

Harry Ball, 177, and Bruno Scarabellin, 192, fought a hot battle. The Italian's advantages in weight, height and reach obliged Ball to box on retreat in the opening rounds and Scarabellin marched merrily forward, scoring heavily with powerful left hooks. In the third round Ball charged into his foe and bounced a left hook of Bruno's chin that dropped the Italian southpaw for "8" Scarabellin recovered and fought back furiously but in the fifth round Ball nailed him again with a right and a left and dropped his man for "5." As he got to his feet, Scarabellin had seconds thoughts and decided to retire.

Heini Freytag put a stopper to the latest comeback attempt of Max Resch, who decided to retire at the end of the fifth round.

Edgar Basel continued with his comeback campaign obtaining revenge for a previous defeat by clearly outscoring Joe Buck, who had a half-stone pull in the weights, over eight rounds.

Gerhard Zech, 210, was given another easy offering in the person of Jose Peyre, 202, who struck his colors in the third round of a very one-sided argument, while in the curtain-raiser, Helmut Flottmann, 169, chilled Klaus Stockmann, 160, in the opening round.

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NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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a 90 percent tab for the year. In the case of the pugilist, he has about six to eight years of activity of which probably no more than half, with few exceptions, are big money years. Yet he is taxed the same for one year's earnings as though he will continue to earn such huge sums indefinitely.

The huge bite that Uncle Sam takes from a champion who defends his crown more than once a year, makes it unprofitable for him to be an active champion. If boxing is to be helped, a bill should be passed easing the tax problem of its boxers. Spreading the earnings would go a long way toward bringing back boxing to a more healthy condition than we now find it.

LEE ON NEW YORK COMMISSION

The New York State Athletic Commission has an able business man in its new member, Raymond J. Lee of Niagara County. Lee has taken the place of Julius Helfand who has been appointed a city magistrate. The new member is president of the Lockport Felt Co., and is a member of the County Republican organization.

Born in Lockport on October 29, 1917, Lee went to Culver Military Academy after attending the public schools and by the time he was 12 years old, he could pilot a plane unaided. He is an expert pilot and uses his own plane for business purposes.

He attended Brown University for one year then went back to Culver Academy to obtain an ROTC commission in the artillery after which he returned to Brown for two years.

During the war he accepted a commission as an ensign in naval aviation. He taught flying and was discharged as a lieutenant in December, 1945. He's an industrialist who holds directorships in many organizations. Deep sea fishing, bowling, golf and boxing are his outside interests.

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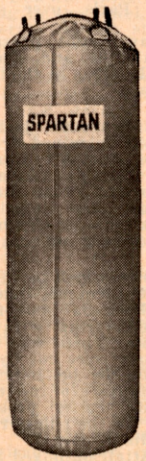

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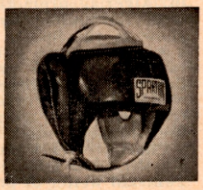

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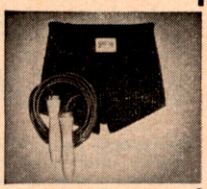

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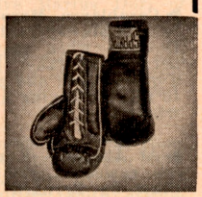

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CANADIAN MARITIMES

By Fred Bishop

WHILE THERE WERE NO PROFESSIONAL SHOWS IN THE MARITIMES in April, the amateurs took over and put on two action-packed shows.

The Navy held their Atlantic Command championships at Stadacona gym and again at Stad., a revival of The Maritime Amateur Championships, featuring for the most part Army vs. Navy while the only civilians were from Bobby Edgett's Club of Amherst plus the independents. All fights featuring Army v. Navy were for the Tri-Service Title plus the Maritime crown.

Champions crowned were:

Flyweight . . . Dennis Muir, R.C.N., Sherbrooke, P. Q. (No opponent)

Bantamweight . . . Roy Putt, Army, stopped Wilson Hamood, (N) Glace Bay, midway through the second.

Featherweight . . . In by far the best fight on a fine card, Laurie LeBlanc, Amherst, came from away back to score a clean kayo over rugged Army Pvt. Ron Gratto of New Glasgow, in the third and last round that had everybody in the house on their toes.

Lightweight . . . Bobby Downey, Halifax (A) was awarded a first round T.K.O. when Jimmy Forster, Regina (N) turned a knee and was unfit to continue.

Light-welter (139 lbs.) . . . Sharp punching Pte. Dave Barnett, (A) of Westmount, C.B. outpointed Jimmy Fowler, (N) of Nfld. in a good fight.

Welterweight . . . Hugh Mills, 145, (N) Hamilton, Ont., was a surprise first round winner as he was being punched all over the ring till he landed one wicked right that knocked Pvt. Joe Butts cold at the 1:36 of the first. Butts of Port Morien, N.S.

Middleweight . . . Veteran Percy Stein, (A) Saint John, threw one right cross to stop young Maurice Fraser, (N) of Dartmouth, N.S. at the 1:18 mark.

Light-middle (up to 156 lbs). . . . Pvt. Ron Clark (A) North Sydney, scored two knockdowns on his way to a split decision over Charlie Hamm, (N) of Sydney, N.S. in a good fight.

Lightheavy . . . Dave Todd, (N) Owan Sound, Ont., outpointed Gerry Dew, (A) Peterborough.

Heavyweight . . . Tommy Gray, Ind., Halifax, stopped Pvt. Ed Richardson, (A) Newcastle, N.B. T.K.O. 2.

FLEISCHER FOR FEDERAL CONTROL OF BOXING

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tary-General of the European Boxing Union, representing all European Countries which comprise the membership of the E.B.U. and the President of the Orient Boxing Federation representing the Asiatic countries which are members of that body. A representative of the Latin American countries would be added when they form their federation.

7–A champion defending his title must make the defense against one of the top three challengers or a contender selected by the championship committee.

WORLD TITLE GROUP WOULD RULE ON CHAMPIONSHIPS

8–No State Commission shall have the right to vacate a title. Such action should come only through action of the World championship committee should a title holder refuse to accept a named challenger, refuse to defend his crown within the six month period unless through illness such defense is made impossible, or through service in the armed forces.

If no promoter can be obtained by the champion to stage such contest between him and the named challenger, the World Championship committee shall take this into consideration before invoking the above rule.

9–No state shall permit a contest in which a boxer who has been suspended or whose license has been revoked or denied anywhere in this country or in a foreign country.

10–Closed circuit television should come under the jurisdiction of the National Commissioner of Boxing. Though unlicensed, closed circuit television operators now control matches of major importance.

Television now is the biggest factor in financing a major match and in controlling champions. The promotional officers are not licensed and the closed circuit operators are the greatest financial benefactors without contributing toward the welfare of the sport.

11–The Chairman of the National Boxing Commission and the deputies should be men well versed in the intricacies of boxing and not merely political appointees.

12–All licenses shall be uniform, with fingerprint identification.

13–There should be a uniform regulation governing the payment for licenses to managers, trainers, boxers and seconds. In all inter-state matches, if one of the above has paid for a license in any state and has been duly licensed, he shall have the option to work under a temporary permit by payment of a nominal fee without taking out a full year's license as required by various commissions under present regulations.

14–A boxer who is registered in one state and has accepted a match in an other, shall be permitted to have his pre-fight physical examination in the state where he resides by a physician of that State's Commission.

Thus a fighter would not have to waste several days away from his home and job, or make a long trip as is now the case since commissions require his presence for the pre-fight examination five days prior to the bout.

15—Where a boxer is registered as his own manager, and his legal advisor performs the functions of a manager, performing duties ordinarily performed by a registered manager, such legal advisor shall be required to take out a license showing that he is the official representative of the boxer, since he is actually acting as the boxer's manager.

I assure you, Senator Kefauver, that I will be available for the hearings on the bill and that if any explanation of my 14 points is necessary, I will be on hand to do so.

WASHINGTON STATE NEWS

By Ruggles G. Larson

SEATTLE—Eddie Cotton, 171, Seattle, won a decisive, unaminous decision over Rory Calhoun, 173, White Plains, N. Y., in a ten rounder at the Civic Arena.

Cotton scored well in the early rounds with his right hand and then continued to outbox Calhoun the rest of the bout.

In the six round semi-final, Johnny Osborne, 161, Seattle, decisioned Willie Jennings, 160, Seattle. Luther Thomas, 139, Seattle, stopped Johnny Ramos, 135, Yakima, in the third. In the opener, Nolen Delcambre, 145, Seattle, held Joey Lopez, 139, Seattle, to a draw.

Bobby Pasqualie, Tacoma's sensational 156 pounder, won the 1961 National A.A.U. Title at Pocatello, Idaho. George Wright, Tacoma's clever 165 pounder, lost a close decision in the semi-finals to defending champion, Leotus Martin of Toledo, Ohio.

Quincy Daniels, who went to the semi-finals of the 1960 Olympic Games, won the 1961 All-Air Force and Inter-Service 139 pound titles. Daniels, from Seattle, is stationed at Lackland AF Base, Texas.

▶ **SPOKANE**—Amos Lincoln, 210, Portland, Ore., breezed through a ten round, unanimous decision over Jack Johnson, 206, Los Angeles.

Thad Spencer, 192, Portland, decisioned Johnny Riggins, 187, Spokane, in six. Cal Brown, 154, Spokane, decisioned Ernie Gipson, 157, Seattle, in six. Clyde Williams, 146, Portland, decisioned Doug Eier, 147, Clarkston, in four. Bat Masterson, 157, Odessa, Texas, decisioned Mike Gilman, 156, Seattle, in four.

Bob Work, clever Seattle manager, has continued to be a fight promoter's dream, with his ever ready string of twenty-three boxers.

MINNESOTA NEWS

Bill Colbert

ST. PAUL ARMORY.—Don Quinn knocked out Jerry Buchanan, St. Louis, in the second round. Buchanan was still wobbly on his feet 15 minutes after being koe'd. Quinn weighed 203 and Buchanan 197 for their ten rounder.

Jack McCracker, 161, St. Louis, lost to Jimmy Hegerle, 165, in another bout of eight rounds.

Willie Jones won an upset victory over Lee Ballard, St. Paul, in eight. Both are welterweights. Quinn is a great puncher with either hand.

Pinkie George, who handled such fighters as Johnny Paycheck, Lee Savold and others, has a heavyweight, Alejandro Lavorante from South America who shows promise.

▶ **Minneapolis Auditorium.**—Jim Beattie, St. Paul amateur heavyweight, who is 6 feet 8 inches tall, won by a technical ko over Howard Williams, Chicago, in the third round. The main event of the card between N. W. Golden Glove champions and the team of boxers from Chicago. Results of the bouts follows:

FLYWEIGHT: Bob Nessenson, Unity House, decisioned John Nate, Chicago.

BANTAMWEIGHT: Bruce Robertson, Chicago, decisioned Ken Rodriguez, Phyllis Wheatley.

FEATHERWEIGHT: Asa Grigsby, Phyllis Wheatley, decisioned Tom O'Shea, Chicago.

WELTERWEIGHT: Rory O'Shea, Chicago, decisioned Rudy Rodriquez, Unity House.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Andy Heilman, Fargo, N. D., decisioned Jim Davis, Chicago.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT: LeRoy Bogar, Phyllis Wheatley, decisioned Ed Dembry, Chicago.

HEAVYWEIGHTS: Jim Beattie, St. Paul, decisioned won by TKO over Howard Williams, Chicago, (3).

▶ **St. Paul Auditorium.**—St. Paul's Don Quinn, 203, answered once and for all what will happen when a straight right hand meets a potent left hook. Quinn and his left hook scored an impressive second round knockout over Timber Jack Wagner, 191, before a large crowd. Other bouts on the all star card promoted by Jack Raleigh.

Don Quinn, 204¾, St. Paul, knocked out Timber Jack Wagner, 191¼, Prior Lake, Minn. (2:50 of 2d).

Lee Ballard, 162½, St. Paul, and Tom Caldwell, 154, Chicago, fought to an eight-round draw.

Laszlo Bagi, 130, Minneapolis, knocked out Tom Cannon, 126, Chicago (1:20 of 2d).

Bill Corcoran, 155, St. Paul, knocked out Harry Ballard, 151, St. Paul (1:40 of 4th).

Emmett Weller is the manager of Don Quinn, the best looking heavyweight to come out of the northwest for some time.

▶ **Rochester, Minn.** — Mayo Auditorium. Undefeated Duane Horsman of Chatfield, Minn., knocked out Clarence Cook of Monroe, La., in one minute of the fourth round. Horsman outbattled the more experienced boxer throughout the first three rounds scoring with hard lefts to the body.

Duane Horsman, 160, Chatfield, Minn., stopped Clarence Cook, Monroe, La., (4).

Lazlo Bagi, 137, Minneapolis, decisioned Johnny White, 136, Ft. Wayne, Ind. (6).

Roger Wakefield, 185, LaCrosse, Wis., decisioned Frank Williams, 184, Chicago, (6).

Dick Cotten, 154, Rochester, decisioned Bobby Anderson, 153, Minneapolis, (4).

▶ **St. Paul Armory.**—Don Quinn, St. Paul heavyweight, won his 11th straight victory before a small crowd. Quinn showed more improvement in winning the unanimous decision over Benny Mason, Minneapolis.

The results:

Azell Scarver, 227, Minnesota, TKO'd Conrad Lee, 219½, River Falls, Wis. (2).

Aaron Lancman, 143½, St. Paul, decisioned Babby Anderson, 150½, Kenyon, Minn.

Kunu Shurefoot, 228 Minneapolis, stopped Sampson Swanson, 185, St. Louis, Mo. (1).

Willie Corcoran, 158½, St. Paul, stopped Tony Tschida, 163, St. Paul (1).

Don Quinn, 208, St. Paul, decisioned Benny Mason, 185½, Minneapolis, 10.

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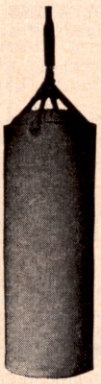

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THE FIRST PROFESSIONAL BOXING SHOW IN A YEAR in this state took place at La Crosse, with 2300 fans paying $3818 to see a six bout card staged by the La Crosse Boxing Club.
In the windup middleweight Duane Horsman, of Chatfield, Minn., scored a 4 round knockout over Bobby Yarborough of Chicago by driving a left to the midsection and a right to the jaw, in what was a good fight up to that time.
Two local favorites, heavyweight Roger Wakefield and welterweight Mickey Zielke won six round decisions over Art Hayes, 185, Chicago and Harry Ballard, 151 of St. Paul, respectively. Wakefield weighed 182, Zielke, 143.
Jerry Mullen, 147, Brownville, Minn., defeated Bobby Anderson, 152, Minneapolis in six rounds. In fours, Joe Dukes, 144, Chicago, TKO'd Floyd Brown, 140, Chicago in 2:22 of the 4th and Azel Scarver, 234, St. Paul, decisioned Bruce Face, 219, Grand Rapids, Mich.
About a month ago Gov. Gaylord Nelson recommended to the director of the budget that the appropriation for the Boxing Commission be cut from $10,500 a year to $1500. The secretary of the Commission had been receiving $6000 a year.
To keep the commission operative, Sen. Allen Busby offered a bill which as yet has not reached the floor, that the commission membership be reduced from five to three with the Governor designating the chairman. Instead of a salaried secretary, the commission members would select a part time clerk to work on specified days at the direction of the chairman.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

MAX C. HANDLER ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE that the Detroit Boxing Club, which he founded and is chairman, will begin promotions at the Convention Arena soon. The seating capacity is 15,000.
▶When Skippy Green, Pittsburgh middleweight, was unable to keep his date with veteran Clarence Riley, of Detroit, at the Graystone Ballroom for promoter Leroy Cannon's feature ten rounder, unknown Lucky Little filled in and gave an excellent performance. Riley was a clear cut winner over Little, but Lucky won the hearts of the fans with his good showing.
Sensational Ducky Dietz, Detroit light-heavy, made fast work of Young Sam Langford in fifty-nine seconds of the first round. During that time Dietz had his opponent on the canvas three times.
Another promising localite Sonny Banks stopped Herman Williams in one round of a heavyweight scrap. Hurricane Bullock edged Jonathan Washington in a close middleweight six, and welterweights Jack Holloway and Charley Dardeen drew in the opening four.
▶Henry Hank, hard punching Detroit contender, underwent an operation at the Ford Hospital for what was described by doctors as a chronic inflammation of the extensor tendon of the third knuckle on his left hand. The surgery has shelved Hank for approximately six weeks.
▶A feature six rounder at the Graystone Ballroom paired veteran performers Jesse Underwood, 139¾, Huntington, W. Va., and Eli Leggett, 140, Detroit. After five rounds of close action, Jesse landed a right hand that staggered Eli, which prompted referee Tom Briscoe to call a halt to the bout at 1:12 of the sixth round. This was Jesse's first start in over five years.
Harry Command, 162½, was a surprise loser to lanky Hurricane Bullock, 160, in another six. Command had Bullock hurt in the second round and it appeared as if it was merely a matter of time before he would put him away for keep, but Harry simply ran out of gas. Another six round found Charles Jordon, 154½, outhustling Charley Dardeen, 148.
Young Sam Langford, 174½, stopped Eugene Duncan, 171, surprisingly at 1:45 of the first round, and Baby Watusi, 127¾, halted Willie Joe DeMeyer, 130, at 1:49 of the sixth round. All contestants were Detroiters.
▶C. W. Smith returned to New York with his welterweight Billy Collins to face Joe Stable at St. Nicholas Arena. While Collins was game to the core, Stable proved to be a little more than Smith had bargained for and the Cuban walked off with the duke.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES . . . Yours truly has just been appointed matchmaker for Leroy Cannon's promotions at the Graystone Ballroom and will handle the same for Max C. Handler at the Convention Arena. Managers of good action fighters are requested to WRITE to this correspondent with the complete data of their boys. Fighters of all weights will be given equal consideration. . . .
Lightweight Morris Seymour, former state amateur champion, is ready to turn pro and may give the game a shot in the arm. . . . This writer may be reached at 8799 Homer Avenue, Detroit 9, Michigan.

LOUISVILLE, KY., BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

AT FREEDOM HALL IN LOUISVILLE, KY. it took Cassius Clay the Olympic champion only four minutes and 27 seconds to score a clean knockout over LaMar Clark of Cedar City, Utah. Clay weighed 192, 10 more than LaMar.
The 5,441 fans, Louisville's largest fight crowd in more than two years for a live attraction, must have been impressed, too. Certainly promoter Bill King was.
In other fights, two fine-looking boxers from Louisville launched their professional careers auspiciously.
James Ellis stopped Arley Seifer of Pittsburgh on a third-round technical knockout in their middleweight clash Ellis came in at 157 and Seifer 160. Also Lawrence Howard disposed of Milton Tate of St. Louis on a sixth-round T.K.O. in another light heavy boat. Howard 163 and Tate 165.
Rounding out the program, Heavyweight Solomon McTier 190 of Miami pounded out a unanimous decision over Louisville's Terrell Pruitt 187 in six rounds.
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CHICAGO BOXING NEWS
By Joe Diehl

WEEKLY BOUTS WERE STAGED IN THE MARIGOLD GARDENS STARTING MARCH 20. The results of the contests from then through the month of April, follow:
Joey Reynolds, 141½, St. Louis, knocked out Antonio Marcilla, Buenos Aires, 144½ in 2:20 of the first round of the scheduled 8-round feature.
James Walker, 133½, Chicago, stopped Preston Swoops, 140, Chicago, (4);
Mike Brown, 157, St. Louis, decisioned Doug McLeod, 155, Grand Rapids, Michigan, (4);
Roger Wakefield, 188, LaCrosse, Wisconsin, decisioned Joe Luvert, 188, Chicago, (4);
Kid Casey, 139, Chicago, stopped Freddy Jackson, 138, Chicago in the 6th round of a scheduled eight.
▶Chuck Garrett, 184, Chicago, decisioned Lou Bailey, 181, Peoria in the 10-round feature.
Allen Thomas, 165, Chicago, knocked out Alex Ford, 171, Youngstown, Ohio, in the first round of a scheduled 6-round bout.
Johnny White, 139, Fort Wayne, Indiana, decisioned Rufus Mack, 144, St. Louis, (4);
Doug McLeod, 155, Grand Rapids, Michigan, decisioned Harold Scully, 148½, Chicago, (4);
Cliff Murkey, 166, Chicago, stopped Connie Vaughn, 171, Pittsburgh in the third round of a scheduled 6.
▶Billy Braggs, 137½, Milwaukee, decisioned Art Wilburn, 138, Galesburg, Ill. in an 8-round co-feature. Willie Westbrook, 148, Chicago, decisioned T. J. Jones, 149, Chicago in the other 8-round feature bout.
Willie Johnson, 186, Chicago, stopped Chico Gardner, 189, Chicago (1);
Jimmy Jones, 191, Chicago, knocked out Monroe Allen, 180, Chicago (1);
Wilson Harris, 149, Chicago, decisioned Jimmy Adams, 149, Chicago, (5).
▶Ernest, Terrell, 197, Chicago, stopped Willie Coleman, 215, Detroit, in 2:05 of the first round of a scheduled eight round bout.
Rufus Mack, 148, St. Louis, beat Doug McLeod, 155, Grand Rapids, Michigan, (5);
Willie Jones, 154, Chicago, beat Don Jose, 152, Chicago, (5);
Dan Eddington, 135, Chicago, stopped Sonny Alexander, 137, Chicago, (2);
Don Eddington, 133, Chicago, beat Leo Pitcher, 135 (4).
▶Junior Welterweight Joey Reynolds, 143, of St. Louis, scored a unanimous 8-round decision over Kid Casey, 142, Chicago, in the feature bout.
Cliff Murkey, 167, Chicago, stopped Eddie Anderson, 174, Omaha, Nebraska, (1);
Jimmy Christopher, 174, Milwaukee, decisioned Gene Turner, 173, Chicago, (4);
Jimmy Jones, 194, Chicago, stopped Billy Baker, 194, Pittsburgh, (4);
Wilson Harris, 150, Chicago, stopped Jimmy Adams, 148, Chicago.

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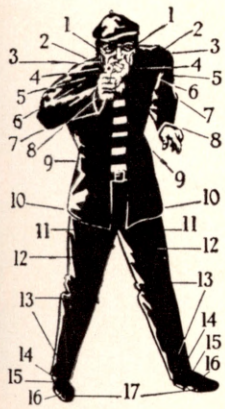

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